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AN ACT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOB CREATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 32-1b of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3 (a) There is established a Department of Economic and Community
- 4 Development, which shall be the lead state agency for economic and
- 5 community development. The department head shall be the
- 6 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, who shall
- 7 be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of
- 8 sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties prescribed in
- 9 said sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive.
- 10 (b) The department shall (1) provide a single point of contact for
- 11 state financial and other assistance to businesses; (2) encourage and
- 12 promote the development of industry and business in the state; (3)
- 13 investigate, study and undertake ways and means of promoting and

14 encouraging the prosperous development and protection of the 15 legitimate interest and welfare of Connecticut business, industry and 16 commerce, within and outside the state; (4) promote and encourage the 17 location and development of new business in the state as well as the 18 maintenance and expansion of existing business and, for that purpose 19 to cooperate with state and local agencies and individuals both within 20 and outside the state; (5) support the development of small businesses 21 in the state; (6) plan and conduct a program of information and 22 publicity designed to attract tourists, visitors and other interested 23 persons from outside the state to this state and also to encourage and 24 coordinate the efforts of other public and private organizations or 25 groups of citizens to publicize the facilities and attractions of the state 26 for the same purposes; (7) promote the arts; (8) aid minority businesses in their development; (9) advise and inform municipal officials 27 28 concerning economic development and collect and disseminate 29 information pertaining thereto, including information about federal, 30 state and private assistance programs and services pertaining thereto; 31 (10) conduct, encourage and maintain research and studies relating to 32 industrial and commercial development; (11) conduct, encourage and 33 maintain research and studies and advise municipal officials about 34 forms of cooperation between public and private agencies designed to 35 advance economic development; (12) promote and assist the formation 36 of regional and municipal and other agencies appropriate to the 37 purposes of this chapter; (13) market and promote Connecticut as a 38 destination for leisure and business travelers; (14) recognize, protect, 39 preserve and promote historic resources; (15) interpret and present the 40 history and culture of the state; (16) promote Connecticut as a location 41 to produce digital media and motion pictures and to establish and 42 conduct business related to the digital media and motion picture 43 industries to enhance these industries' economic impact in the state; (17) establish a uniform financial reporting system and forms to be 44 45 used by each regional tourism district, established under section 10-46 397, in the preparation of the annual budget submitted to the General 47 Assembly; and (18) integrate funding and programs whenever

48 possible.

- (c) (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall: (A) Direct the operations of the department; (B) coordinate economic development policy between the department, state agencies, the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and other entities; (C) chair the board of directors of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; (D) conduct and administer the functions necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the department; (E) require notice of the submission of all applications by municipalities and any agency thereof for federal and state financial assistance for economic development programs as relate to the purposes of this chapter; (F) advise the Governor and the General Assembly concerning economic and community development; and (G) report annually to the Governor pursuant to sections 4-60 and 32-1m.
 - (2) The commissioner may make available technical and financial assistance and advisory services to any appropriate agency, authority or commission for planning and other functions pertinent to economic development, provided any financial assistance to a regional planning agency or a regional council of elected officials shall have the prior approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the secretary's designee. Financial assistance shall be rendered upon such contractual arrangements as may be agreed upon by the commissioner and any such agency, authority or commission in accordance with their respective needs, and the commissioner may determine the qualifications of personnel or consultants to be engaged for such assistance.
 - (3) The commissioner may do all things necessary to apply for, qualify for and accept any federal funds made available or allotted under any federal act for planning or any other projects, programs or activities which may be established by federal law, for any of the purposes, or activities related thereto, of the department and said commissioner shall administer any such funds allotted to the

- 80 department in accordance with federal law. The commissioner may 81 enter into contracts with the federal government concerning the use 82 and repayment of such funds under any such federal act, the 83 prosecution of the work under any such contract and the establishment 84 of any disbursement from a separate account in which federal and 85 state funds estimated to be required for plan preparation or other 86 eligible activities under such federal act shall be kept. Said account 87 shall not be a part of the General Fund of the state or any subdivision 88 of the state.
- (4) The powers and duties enumerated in this section shall be in addition to and shall not limit any other powers or duties of the commissioner contained in any other law.
- [(b)] (d) Said department shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Housing in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.
- [(c)] (e) Said department shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Economic Development in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.
- [(d)] (f) Whenever the term "Commissioner of Housing" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Whenever the term "Department of Housing" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Department of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.
- [(e)] (g) Whenever the term "Commissioner of Economic Development" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Whenever the term "Department of Economic Development" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Department of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

- 111 [(f)] (h) If the term "Commissioner of Housing" or "Commissioner of
- 112 Economic Development" is used or referred to in any public or special
- 113 act of 1995 or 1996, or in any section of the general statutes which is
- 114 amended in 1995 or 1996, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the
- 115 "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development".
- 116 [(g)] (i) If the term "Department of Housing" or "Department of
- Economic Development" is used or referred to in any public or special 117
- 118 act of 1995 or 1996, or in any section of the general statutes which is
- 119 amended in 1995 or 1996, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the
- 120 "Department of Economic and Community Development".
- 121 (j) The department shall be a successor agency to the Connecticut
- Commission on Culture and Tourism, State Commission on the Arts, 122
- the Connecticut Historical Commission, the Office of Tourism, the 123
- 124 Connecticut Tourism Council, the Connecticut Film, Video and Media
- 125 Commission and the Connecticut Film, Video and Media Office in
- 126 accordance with sections 4-38d and 4-39.
- 127 (k) Wherever the words "Connecticut Commission on Culture and
- Tourism", "State Commission on the Arts", "Connecticut Historical 128
- Commission", "Office of Tourism", "Connecticut Film, Video and 129
- Media Office" and "Connecticut Commission on Arts, Tourism, 130
- 131 Culture, History and Film" are used in the following sections of the
- 132 general statutes, or in any public or special act of the 2003 or 2004
- 133 session the words "Department of Economic and Community
- 134 Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 3-110f, 3-110h, 3-
- 135 110i, 4-9a, 4b-53, 4b-60, 4b-64, 4b-66a, 7-147a, 7-147b, 7-147c, 7-147j, 7-
- 136 147p, 7-147q, 7-147v, 8-2j, 10-382, 10-384, 10-385, 10-386, 10-387, 10-388,
- 137 10-389, 10-391, 10a-111a, 10a-112, 10a-112b, 10a-112g, 11-6a, 12-376d,
- 138 13a-252, 19a-315b, 19a-315c, 22a-1d, 22a-19b, 25-102qq, 25-109q, 29-259
- 139 and 32-6a.
- 140 Sec. 2. Section 32-11 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 141 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

In addition to his <u>or her</u> other powers and duties, the commissioner shall have the following powers and duties:

- 144 [(1) To utilize the department's resources for planning and 145 developing an economic and community development reorganization 146 plan which (A) sets forth policy goals for the department, (B) 147 determines strategies to encourage economic and community 148 development and the provision of housing in this state, including 149 housing for very low, low and moderate income families, (C) 150 determines the feasibility of dividing the operation of programs and 151 resources of the state in support of economic and community 152 development between and among the department and CDA, CHFA 153 and CII, (D) identifies strategies to increase the leverage of resources of 154 the state used in furtherance of the purposes of CDA, CHFA and CII, 155 (E) identifies, if feasible, divisions and recommends a timetable and 156 procedures for transferring resources and operations between and 157 among the department and CDA, CHFA and CII and (F) recommends 158 specific economic and community development objectives and 159 administrative structures for the department and CDA, CHFA and CII. 160 In developing such plan, the department shall be the lead agency, in 161 collaboration with CDA, CHFA and CII, for research, planning and 162 development of the plan and shall solicit community and regional 163 input in the preparation of such plan in such a manner as will best help 164 develop, clarify or further state policies for economic and community 165 development. The commissioner shall submit a copy of the 166 reorganization plan to the joint standing committees of the General 167 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and 168 planning and development;
- 169 (2) To propose to the Governor on or before January 1, 1996, 170 legislation to implement the economic and community development 171 reorganization plan described in subdivision (1) of this section;]
- [(3)] (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or any special act and with the approval of the Treasurer and the

174 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, to transfer to 175 [CDA,] CHFA and [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations 176 Authority: (A) Any revenues received by the department or the state in 177 connection with any program or project of the department and the 178 right to receive any such revenues; and (B) any loan assets or equity 179 interests held by the department in connection with any program or 180 project of the department; provided, no such transfer shall be 181 approved by the Treasurer or the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 182 Management if either determines that such transfer could adversely 183 affect the tax-exempt status of any bonds of the state, the substantial 184 interests of third parties, the financial budget of the state or other 185 essential rights, interests, or prerogatives of the state. The 186 commissioner may impose such conditions as he deems necessary or 187 appropriate with respect to the use by [CDA], CHFA or [CII] the 188 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority of any revenues, rights, 189 assets, interests or amounts transferred to it by the department under 190 this subdivision; provided, the commissioner may waive any 191 requirement under this subdivision for the adoption of written 192 procedures until July 1, 1996;

[(4)] (2) To award to [CDA,] CHFA or [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority financial, technical or other assistance. Financial assistance awarded by the department to [CDA,] CHFA or [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may take any of the following forms, subject to any conditions imposed by the department: (A) Grants; (B) loans; (C) guarantees; (D) contracts of insurance; and (E) investments. In addition, to the extent funds or resources are available to the department for such purposes, the commissioner may provide such further financial or other assistance to [CDA,] CHFA and [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as the commissioner in his sole discretion deems appropriate for any of the purposes of [CDA,] CHFA and [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority respectively;

[(5)] (3) To enter into such agreements with [CDA,] CHFA and [CII] 206

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- 207 the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as may be 208 appropriate for the purpose of performing its duties which agreements 209 may include, but shall not be limited to, provisions for the delivery of 210 services by [CDA,] CHFA and [CII] the Connecticut Economic 211 Innovations Authority to third parties, provisions for payment by the 212 department to [CDA,] CHFA or [CII] the Connecticut Economic 213 <u>Innovations Authority</u> for the delivery of such services, provisions for 214 advances and reimbursements to the department for any expenses 215 incurred or to be incurred by it in delivery of any services, assistance, 216 revenues, rights, assets and interests and provisions for the sharing 217 with [CDA,] CHFA or [CII] the Connecticut Economic Innovations 218 Authority of assistants, agents and other consultants, professionals and 219 employees, and facilities and other real and personal property used in 220 the conduct of the department's affairs; and
- 221 [(6)] (4) To provide financial assistance for economic development 222 projects directly or in participation with the [Connecticut Development 223 Authority] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, to 224 purchase participation interests in loans made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] the Connecticut Economic Innovations 225 226 Authority and enter into any agreements or contracts it deems 227 necessary or convenient in connection with such loans.
 - Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the promotion of collaborative research applications between industry and institutions of higher education. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall award grants pursuant to this subsection to institutions of higher education, technology-focused organizations and business entities. Grants may be used:
- 236 (1) To improve technology infrastructure by advancing the 237 development of shared use between institutions of higher education 238 and business entities of laboratories and equipment, including, but not

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- 239 limited to, technology purchase, lease and installation, operating and 240 necessary support personnel and maintenance;
- 241 (2) As matching grants for joint projects between an industry, a 242 technology-focused organization or a university. The department shall 243 structure the matching grants to provide two rounds of funding 244 annually and shall do outreach to companies. The matching grant 245 provisions of the program shall include, but not be limited to, (A) one-246 to-one matching grants not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars, 247 with in-kind match allowed for small and mid-sized companies, (B) 248 involvement of a competitive process with outside reviewers using as 249 key criteria (i) the demonstration of commercial relevance, and (ii) a 250 clear path to the marketplace for any innovations developed in the 251 course of the research, and (C) an aggressive marketing campaign 252 through business organizations to raise industry awareness of 253 resources from universities or technology-focused organizations; and
 - (3) To develop a Connecticut Center for Nanoscale Sciences and Development to provide a shared-use laboratory in one or more sites in the state to advance university research, industry application development and education involving the synthesis, characterization and fabrication of nanoscale materials, intermediates and devices and related program activities.
 - (b) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the promotion of commercialization of research done by institutions of higher education. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall award grants to institutions of higher education and business entities. Grants may be used:
 - (1) To provide funding to verify the technical and commercial feasibility of early stage discoveries by institutions of higher education that are disclosed or patented to accelerate and increase the likelihood that the technology will be successfully commercialized;

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- (2) To provide matching support for smaller institutions of higher education to allow for contracts with independent technology transfer organizations to provide specific service to support specific needs; and
- 274 (3) The department shall provide specialized technical assistance to 275 advance nanotechnology awards to Connecticut companies and the 276 small business innovation research program, including 277 nanotechnology-related workshops and seminars, grant preparation 278 assistance, marketing assistance, services related to matching grants 279 other technical assistance and to assist companies with 280 nanotechnology-related applications for the small business innovation 281 research program.
- 282 Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective from passage) On and after July 1, 2009, the 283 following programs are transferred from the Office of Workforce 284 Competitiveness to the Department of Economic and Community 285 Development: (1) The jobs funnel program; (2) the small business 286 innovation research program; (3) all film industry related programs; 287 and (4) all nanotechnology programs.
- 288 Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) The Commissioner of 289 Economic and Community Development shall (1) establish a single 290 web portal for information about all of the state's economic 291 development programs; (2) establish a single point of contact for all 292 persons and businesses seeking economic development assistance 293 from the state or a quasi-public entity; and (3) develop and implement 294 a common application form and process for requests for financial 295 assistance from the department and the state together with the 296 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- 297 Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) As used in this section and 298 sections 7 to 14, inclusive, of this act:
- 299 (1) "Authority" means the Connecticut Economic Innovations 300 Authority;

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- 301 (2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and 302 Community Development; and
- 303 (3) "Department" means the Department of Economic and 304 Community Development.
- 305 (b) There is hereby created as a body politic and corporate, 306 constituting a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the 307 state created for the performance of an essential public and 308 governmental function, the Connecticut Economic Innovations 309 Authority which is empowered to carry out the purposes of the 310 authority, as provided in section 7 of this act, which are determined to 311 be public purposes for which public funds may be expended. The 312 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall not be construed to 313 be a department, institution or agency of the state.
 - (c) The board of directors of the authority shall consist of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the State Treasurer and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or their respective designees, five members appointed by the Governor and four members appointed as follows: One by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one by the minority leader of the Senate, one by the speaker of the House of Representatives and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. Each ex-officio member may designate a deputy or any member of the agency staff to represent the member at meetings of the authority with full powers to act and vote on the member's behalf. Each member appointed by the Governor shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor but no longer than the term of office of the Governor or until the member's successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer. Each member appointed by a member of the General Assembly shall serve in accordance with the provisions of section 4-1a of the general statutes. Members shall receive no compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Any vacancy on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by the appointing

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- 333 authority of such member. Any member of the board may be removed 334 by the Governor for misfeasance, malfeasance or wilful neglect of 335 duty.
- 336 (d) Each member of the authority, before entering upon his or her 337 duties, shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation required by 338 article XI, section 1, of the State Constitution. A record of each such 339 oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State. Each 340 member of the board of directors of the authority shall execute a surety 341 bond in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars, or, in lieu thereof, the 342 chairperson of the board shall execute a blanket position bond 343 covering each member and the chief executive officer and the 344 employees of the authority, each surety bond to be conditioned upon 345 the faithful performance of the duties of the office or offices covered, to 346 be executed by a surety company authorized to transact business in 347 this state as surety and to be approved by the Attorney General and 348 filed in the office of the Secretary of the State. The cost of each such 349 bond shall be paid by the authority.
 - (e) Notwithstanding any provision of the law, it shall not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner or officer of any person, firm or corporation or any individual having a financial interest in a person, firm or corporation to serve as a member of the board of directors of the authority; provided such trustee, director, partner or officer of any person, firm or corporation or any individual having a financial interest in a person, firm or corporation shall file with the authority a record of his capacity with or interest in such person and abstain and absent himself from any deliberation, action and vote by the board in specific respect to such person.
 - (f) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall serve as the board chairperson. The board shall annually elect one of its members as vice chairperson. Meetings of the board shall be held at such times as shall be specified in the bylaws adopted by the board and at such other time or times as the chairperson or a majority of the

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- (g) The board of directors of the authority shall adopt written procedures, in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes, for: (1) Adopting an annual budget and plan of operations, including a requirement of board approval before the budget or plan may take effect; (2) hiring, promoting and compensating employees of the authority, including an affirmative action policy and a requirement of board approval before a position may be created; (3) purchasing, leasing or acquiring real and personal property and personal services, including a requirement of board approval for any nonbudgeted expenditure in excess of five thousand dollars; (4) contracting for financial, legal, bond underwriting and other professional services, including a requirement that the authority solicit proposals at least once every three years for each such service which it uses; (5) issuing and retiring bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations of the authority; (6) awarding loans, grants and other financial assistance, including eligibility criteria, the application process and the role played by the authority's staff and board of directors and including deadlines for the approval or disapproval of applications for such assistance by the authority; and (7) the use of surplus funds to the extent authorized under this section and sections 7 to 14, inclusive, of this act.
- (h) Neither members of the board of directors of the authority nor any person executing the notes and bonds shall be liable personally on the notes or bonds or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.
- (i) The powers of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by not less than seven of the members of the board of directors then in office. Such number of members shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting of the board shall be necessary for any action taken by the authority. No vacancy in the membership of the board shall impair the right to

- 397 exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the authority. Any 398 action taken by the board under the provisions of this section and 399 sections 7 to 14, inclusive, of this act may be authorized by resolution 400 at any regular or special meeting, and each such resolution shall take 401 effect immediately and need not be published or posted. The authority 402 shall be exempt from the provisions of section 4-9a of the general 403 statutes.
 - (j) The board of directors of the authority may delegate to three or more of its members such board powers and duties as it may deem proper. At least one of such members shall not be a state employee.
- 407 (k) The authority shall continue as long as it shall have bonds or 408 other obligations outstanding and until its existence is terminated by 409 law. Upon the termination of the existence of the authority, all its 410 rights and properties shall pass to and be vested in the state.
- 411 (l) The authority shall be subject to examination by the State 412 Treasurer. The accounts of the authority shall be subject to annual 413 audits by the State Auditors of Public Accounts.
- 414 Sec. 7. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) The purposes of the 415 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall be:
- 416 To support the economic, workforce and community 417 development policies, programs, goals and strategies of the state;
- 418 (2) To discharge the responsibilities of the authority under sections 6 419 to 14, inclusive, of this act, chapters 578, 579, 581, 584, 5881, 588n, 588r 420 and 588u of the general statutes, and any other provisions of the 421 general statutes or any public or special act setting forth or governing 422 the powers and duties of the authority;
- 423 (3) To stimulate and encourage the research and development of 424 new technologies and products;
- 425 (4) To encourage the creation and transfer of new technologies;

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426	(5) To assist existing businesses in adopting current and innovative
427	technological processes;

- 428 (6) To stimulate and provide services to industry that will advance 429 the adoption and utilization of technology;
- 430 (7) To achieve improvements in the quality of products and services;
- 431 (8) To stimulate and encourage the development and operation of 432 new and existing science parks and incubator facilities; and
- 433 (9) To promote science, engineering, mathematics and other 434 disciplines that are essential to the development and application of 435 technology within Connecticut by the infusion of financial aid for 436 research, invention and innovation in situations in which such 437 financial aid would not otherwise be reasonably available from 438 commercial or other sources;
- 439 (b) For the purposes of subsection (a) of this section, the authority 440 shall have the following powers, in addition to any others provided by 441 law:
 - (1) To have perpetual succession as a body corporate and to adopt bylaws, policies and procedures for the regulation of its affairs and conduct of its businesses as provided by law;
- 445 (2) To solicit, receive and accept aid, grants or contributions from 446 any source of money, property or labor or other things of value, to be 447 held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of the authority, 448 subject to the conditions upon which such grants and contributions 449 may be made, including, but not limited to, gifts or grants from any 450 department or agency of the United States or the state;
- 451 (3) To (A) employ such assistants, agents and other employees as 452 may be necessary or desirable, which employees shall be exempt from 453 the classified service and shall not be employees, as defined in 454 subsection (b) of section 5-270 of the general statutes; (B) establish all

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- necessary or appropriate personnel practices and policies, including 456 those relating to hiring, promotion, compensation, retirement and 457 collective bargaining, which need not be in accordance with chapter 68 458 of the general statutes, and the authority shall not be an employer as
- 459 defined in subsection (a) of said section 5-270; and (C) engage
- 460 consultants, attorneys and appraisers as may be necessary or desirable
- 461 to carry out its purposes in accordance with this chapter;
- 462 (4) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or 463 incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its 464 powers under this act;
- 465 (5) To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, adopt a seal and 466 alter the same at pleasure;
- 467 (6) To maintain an office at such place or places within the state as it 468 may designate;
 - (7) To invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to the carrying out of these purposes; provided, however, all such acquisitions of real property for the authority's own use with amounts appropriated by the state to the authority or with the proceeds of bonds supported by the full faith and credit of the state shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the provisions of section 4b-23 of the general statutes;
 - (8) To acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to the carrying out of these purposes;
- 483 (9) To account for and audit funds of the authority and funds of any 484 recipients of financial aid from the authority;

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- (10) With the approval of the State Treasurer, to invest any funds not needed for immediate use or disbursement, including any funds held in reserve, in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or the state of Connecticut and in other obligations which are legal investments for municipalities or retirement funds in this state;
- 491 (11) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its 492 property and other assets in such amounts and from such insurers as it 493 deems desirable;
 - (12) To the extent permitted under its contract with other persons, to consent to any termination, modification, forgiveness or other change of any term of any contractual right, payment, royalty, contract or agreement of any kind to which the authority is a party;
 - (13) In connection with any application for assistance under or commitments therefor, to make and collect such fees as the authority shall determine to be reasonable;
 - (14) To hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights, licenses, or any other evidences of protection or exclusivity as to any products as defined herein, issued under the laws of the United States or any state or any nation;
 - (15) To borrow money or accept gifts, grants or loans of funds, property or service from any source, public or private, and comply, subject to the provisions of law, with the terms and conditions thereof;
 - (16) To insure any or all payments to be made by the borrower under the terms of any agreement for the extension of credit or making of a loan by the authority in connection with any economic development project to be financed, wholly or in part, through the issuance of bonds or mortgage payments of any mortgage which is given by a mortgagor to the mortgagee who has provided the mortgage for an economic development project upon such terms and

515 conditions as the authority may prescribe and as provided herein, and 516 the faith and credit of the state are pledged thereto;

- (17) To request for its guidance, in connection with any project, a finding of the municipal planning commission, or, if there is no planning commission, a finding of the municipal officers of the municipality in which the economic development project is proposed to be located, or of the regional planning agency of which such municipality is a member, as to the expediency and advisability of the economic development project;
- (18) To advise the Governor, the General Assembly, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the Commissioner of Higher Education on matters relating to economic development finance, science, engineering and technology which may have an impact on state policies, programs, employers and residents, and on job creation and retention;
 - (19) (A) To accept from the Department of Economic and Community Development: (i) Financial assistance, (ii) revenues or the right to receive revenues with respect to any program under the supervision of the department, and (iii) loan assets or equity interests in connection with any program under the supervision of the department; (B) to make advances to and reimburse the department for any expenses incurred or to be incurred by it in the delivery of such assistance, revenues, rights, assets or interests; (C) to enter into agreements for the delivery of services by the authority, in consultation with the department, or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, to third parties which agreements may include provisions for payment by the department to the authority for the delivery of such services; and (D) to enter into agreements with the department or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority for the sharing of assistants, agents and other consultants, professionals and employees, and facilities and other real and personal property used in the conduct of the affairs of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority;

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- 547 (20) To transfer to the Department of Economic and Community 548 Development: (A) Financial assistance, (B) revenues or the right to 549 receive revenues with respect to any program under the supervision of 550 the authority, and (C) loan assets or equity interests in connection with 551 any program under the supervision of the authority, provided the 552 transfer of such financial assistance, revenues, rights, assets or interests 553 is determined by the authority to be practicable, within the constraints 554 and not inconsistent with the fiduciary obligations of the authority 555 imposed upon or established upon the authority by any provision of 556 the general statutes, the authority's bond resolutions or any other 557 agreement or contract of the authority and to have no adverse effect on 558 the tax-exempt status of any bonds of the state;
 - (21) To do all acts and things necessary and convenient to carry out the purposes of sections 6 to 14, inclusive, of this act.
 - Sec. 8. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) The exercise of the powers vested in the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, and any subsidiary of such authority, shall constitute the performance of an essential governmental function and the authority shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon or in respect of a project, or any property or moneys of the authority, levied by the state, any municipality or political subdivision or special district having taxing powers of the state.
 - Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) (1) The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, established pursuant to section 6 of this act, may form one or more subsidiaries to carry out the public purposes of the authority and may transfer to any such subsidiary any moneys and real or personal property of any kind or nature. Any such subsidiary may be organized as a stock or nonstock corporation or a limited liability company. Each such subsidiary shall have and may exercise such powers of the authority as are set forth in the resolution of the authority prescribing the purposes for which such subsidiary is formed and such other powers provided to it by law.

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- (2) Each such subsidiary shall act through its board of directors, at least one-half of which shall be members of the board of directors of the authority, or their designees, or officers or employees of the authority. A resolution of the authority shall prescribe the purposes for which each such subsidiary is formed.
- (3) The provisions of section 1-125 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and this subsection shall apply to any officer, director, designee or employee appointed as a member, director or officer of any such subsidiary. Any such persons so appointed shall not be personally liable for the debts, obligations or liabilities of any such subsidiary as provided in said section 1-125. The subsidiary shall, and the authority may, provide for the indemnification to protect, save harmless and indemnify such officer, director, designee or employee as provided by said section 1-125.
- (4) Each such subsidiary shall be deemed a quasi-public agency for purposes of chapter 12 of the general statutes and shall have all the privileges, immunities, tax exemptions and other exemptions of the authority, including the privileges, immunities, tax exemptions and other exemptions provided under the general statutes for special capital reserve funds. Each such subsidiary shall be subject to suit provided its liability shall be limited solely to the assets, revenues and resources of the subsidiary and without recourse to the general funds, revenues, resources or any other assets of the authority. Each such subsidiary is authorized to assume or take title to property subject to any existing lien, encumbrance or mortgage and to mortgage, convey or dispose of its assets and pledge its revenues in order to secure any borrowing, provided each such borrowing or mortgage shall be a special obligation of the subsidiary, which obligation may be in the form of bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations to the extent permitted under this chapter to fund and refund the same and provide for the rights of the holders thereof, and to secure the same by pledge or revenues, notes and other assets and which shall be payable solely from the assets, revenues and other resources of the subsidiary.

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- The authority shall have the power to assign to a subsidiary any rights, moneys or other assets it has under any governmental program including the nursing home loan program. No borrowing shall be undertaken by a subsidiary of the authority without the approval of the authority.
 - (b) (1) The authority may establish one or more subsidiaries to stimulate, encourage and carry out the remediation, development and financing of contaminated property within this state, in coordination with the Department of Environmental Protection, and to provide financial, developmental and environmental expertise to others including, but not limited to, municipalities, interested in or undertaking such remediation, development or financing which are determined to be public purposes for which public funds may be expended. Each subsidiary shall be deemed a quasi-public agency for purposes of chapter 12 of the general statutes. The authority may transfer to any such subsidiary any moneys and real or personal property. Each such subsidiary shall have all the privileges, immunities, tax exemptions and other exemptions of the authority.
 - (2) Each such subsidiary may sue and shall be subject to suit provided the liability of each such subsidiary shall be limited solely to the assets, revenues and resources of such subsidiary and without recourse to the general funds, revenues, resources or any other assets of the authority or any other subsidiary. No such subsidiary may provide for any bonded indebtedness of the state for the cost of any liability or contingent liability for the remediation of contaminated real property unless such indebtedness is specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly. Each such subsidiary shall have the power to do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this subsection, section 12-81r of the general statutes, subsection (a) of section 22a-133x of the general statutes, sections 22a-133aa, 22a-133bb and 22a-133dd of the general statutes, subsection (l) of section 22a-134 of the general statutes, and sections 22a-452f, 32-7e and 32-

23pp to 32-23rr, inclusive, of the general statutes, including, but not limited to, (A) solicit, receive and accept aid, grants or contributions from any source of money, property or labor or other things of value, to be held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of this subsection, section 12-81r of the general statutes, subsection (h) of section 22a-133m of the general statutes, subsection (a) of section 22a-133x of the general statutes, sections 22a-133aa, 22a-133bb and 22a-133dd of the general statutes, subsection (l) of section 22a-134 of the general statutes, and sections 22a-452f, 32-7e and 32-23pp to 32-23rr, inclusive, of the general statutes subject to the conditions upon which such grants and contributions may be made, including, but not limited to, gifts, grants or loans, from any department, agency or quasi-public agency of the United States or the state; (B) enter into agreements with persons upon such terms and conditions as are consistent with the purposes of such subsidiary to acquire or facilitate the remediation, development or financing of contaminated real or personal property; (C) to acquire, take title, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real and personal property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property; (D) examine, inspect, rehabilitate, remediate or improve real or personal property or engage others to do so on such subsidiary's behalf, or enter into contracts therefor; (E) mortgage, convey or dispose of its assets and pledge its revenues in order to secure any borrowing, for the purpose of financing, refinancing, rehabilitating, remediating, improving or developing its assets, provided each such borrowing or mortgage shall be a special obligation of such subsidiary, which obligation may be in the form of notes, bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations issued by or to such subsidiary to the extent permitted under this chapter to fund and refund the same and provide for the rights of the holders thereof, and to secure the same by pledge of revenues, notes or other assets and which shall be payable solely from the assets, revenues and other resources of such subsidiary; (F) to create real estate investment trusts or similar entities or to become a member of a limited liability company or to become a partner in limited or general

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679 partnerships or establish other contractual arrangements with private 680 and public sector entities as such subsidiary deems necessary to 681 remediate, develop or finance environmentally contaminated property 682 in the state; and (G) any other powers enumerated in subsection (e) of 683 section 32-23 of the general statutes necessary or appropriate to carry 684 out the purposes of this subsection, subsection (h) of section 22a-133m 685 of the general statutes, subsection (a) of section 22a-133x of the general 686 statutes, sections 22a-133aa, 22a-133bb and 22a-133dd of the general 687 statutes, subsection (l) of section 22a-134 of the general statutes, and 688 sections 22a-452f, 32-7e and 32-23pp to 32-23rr, inclusive, of the general 689 statutes. The board of directors, executive director, officers and staff of 690 the authority may serve as members of any advisory or other board 691 which may be established to carry out the purposes of this subsection, 692 subsection (h) of section 22a-133m of the general statutes, subsection 693 (a) of section 22a-133x of the general statutes, sections 22a-133aa, 22a-694 133bb and 22a-133dd of the general statutes, subsection (l) of section 695 22a-134 of the general statutes, and sections 22a-452f, 32-7e and 32-696 23pp to 32-23rr, inclusive, of the general statutes.

- (c) Each such subsidiary shall act through its board of directors, at least one-half of which shall be members of the board of directors of the authority, or their designees, or officers or employees of the authority. A resolution of the authority shall prescribe the purposes for which each such subsidiary is formed.
- (d) The provisions of section 1-125 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and this subsection shall apply to any officer, director, designee or employee appointed as a member, director or officer of any such subsidiary. Any such persons so appointed shall not be personally liable for the debts, obligations or liabilities of any such subsidiary as provided in said section 1-125. The subsidiary shall, and the authority may, provide for the indemnification to protect, save harmless and indemnify such officer, director, designee or employee as provided by said section 1-125.

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- (f) The authority may make loans to each such subsidiary, following standard authority procedures, from its assets and the proceeds of its bonds, notes and other obligations, provided the source and security for the repayment of such loans is derived from the assets, revenues and resources of the subsidiary.
- Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) (a) The board of directors of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, established pursuant to section 6 of this act, shall appoint a chief executive officer who shall not be a member of the board and such other officers as it determines. Such officers shall be exempt from classified service, serve at the pleasure of the board and receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the board.
 - (b) The chief executive officer shall direct and supervise administrative affairs and technical activities in accordance with the directives of the board. He or she shall perform such other duties as may be directed by the board in carrying out the purposes of sections 6 to 14, inclusive, of this act and chapters 578, 579, 581, 584, 5881, 588n, 588r and 588u of the general statutes. The chief executive officer shall attend all meetings of the board, keep a record of the proceedings of the board and shall maintain and be custodian of all books, documents and papers filed with the authority and of the minute book or journal of the authority and of its official seal. He or she may cause copies to be made of all minutes and other records and documents of the authority and may give certificates under the official seal of the authority to the effect that such copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the authority may rely upon such certificates.

Sec. 11. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) Not later than November 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, established pursuant to section 6 of this act, shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the Governor, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and capital bonding, which shall include the following information with respect to new and outstanding financial assistance provided by the authority during the twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth next preceding the date of the report for each financial assistance program administered by the authority: (1) A list of the names, addresses and locations of all recipients of such assistance, (2) for each recipient: (A) The business activities, (B) the Standard Industrial Classification Manual codes, (C) the gross revenues during the recipient's most recent fiscal year, (D) the number of employees at the time of application, (E) whether the recipient is a minority or woman-owned business, (F) a summary of the terms and conditions for the assistance, including the type and amount of state financial assistance, job creation or retention requirements, and anticipated wage rates, and (G) the amount of investments from private and other nonstate sources that have been leveraged by the assistance, (3) the economic benefit criteria used in determining which applications have been approved or disapproved, and (4) for each recipient of assistance, a comparison between the number of jobs to be created, the number of jobs to be retained and the average wage rates for each such category of jobs, as projected in the recipient's application, versus the actual number of jobs created, the actual number of jobs retained and the average wage rates for each such category. The report shall also indicate the actual number of full-time jobs and the actual number of part-time jobs in each such category and the benefit levels for each such subcategory. In addition, the report shall state (i) for each final application approved during the twelve-month period covered by the report, (I) the date that the final application was received by the

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authority, and (II) the date of such approval; (ii) for each final application withdrawn during the twelve-month period covered by the report, (I) the municipality in which the applicant is located, (II) the Standard Industrial Classification Manual code for the applicant, (III) the date that the final application was received by the authority, and (IV) the date of such withdrawal; (iii) for each final application disapproved during the twelve-month period covered by the report, (I) the municipality in which the applicant is located, (II) the Standard Industrial Classification Manual code for the applicant, (III) the date that the final application was received by the authority, and (IV) the date of such disapproval; and (v) for each final application on which no action has been taken by the applicant or the agency in the twelvemonth period covered by the report and for which no report has been submitted under this subsection, (I) the municipality in which the applicant is located, (II) the Standard Industrial Classification Manual code for the applicant, and (III) the date that the final application was received by the authority. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to activities of the authority under the provisions of chapter 581 of the general statutes which shall continue to be reported on as provided in section 32-47a of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

(b) The November first report shall also include a summary of the activities of the authority, including all activities to assist small businesses and minority business enterprises, as defined in section 4a-60g of the general statutes, a complete operating and financial statement and recommendations for legislation to promote the purposes of the authority.

Sec. 12. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2009) (a) (1) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d of the general statutes, all powers and duties of the Connecticut Development Authority under the provisions of chapter 579 of the general statutes, shall be transferred to the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act. On and after the effective date of this section, the

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811 the Connecticut Development Authority created pursuant to

812 subsection (l) of section 32-11a of the general statutes, shall be a

813 subsidiary of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.

(2) All notes, bonds or other obligations issued by the Connecticut Development Authority for the financing of any project or projects shall be in accordance with their terms of full force and effect and valid and binding upon the authority as the successor to the Connecticut Development Authority and with respect to any resolution, contract, deed, trust agreement, mortgage, conditional sale or loan agreement, commitment, obligation or liability or other such document, public record, right, remedy, special act or public act, obligation, liability or responsibility pertaining thereto, the authority shall be, and shall be deemed to be, the successor to the Connecticut Development Authority. All properties, rights in land, buildings and equipment and any funds, moneys, revenues and receipts or assets of such authority pledged or otherwise securing any such notes, bonds or other obligations shall belong to the authority as successor to the Connecticut Development Authority, subject to such pledges and other security arrangements and to agreements with the holders of the outstanding notes, bonds or other obligations. Any resolution with respect to the issuance of bonds of the Connecticut Development Authority for the purposes of the act and any other action taken by the authority with respect to assisting in the financing of any project shall be, or shall be deemed to be, a resolution of the authority or an action taken by the authority subject only to any agreements with the holders of outstanding notes, bonds or other obligations of the authority.

(3) All notes, bonds or other obligations issued by the Connecticut Development Authority for the financing of any project or projects shall be in accordance with their terms of full force and effect and valid and binding upon the authority as the successor to the Connecticut Development Authority and with respect to any resolution, contract, deed, trust agreement, mortgage, conditional sale or loan agreement,

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- (4) Whenever the term "Connecticut Development Authority" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.
- (b) (1) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d of the general statutes, all powers, duties and personnel of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, under the provisions of chapter 581 of the general statutes shall be transferred to the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act. All cash, notes, receivables, liabilities, appropriations, authorizations, allocations, and all other assets and properties of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall be transferred to the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority. Such transfer shall not affect the validity, enforceability or binding nature of any contract or agreement for financial aid made by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, under the authorization of this act before the effective date of this act. On and after the effective date of this section, any and all subsidiaries

- 876 of the Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall be subsidiaries of 877 the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- 878 (2) Whenever the term "Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated" is 879 used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Connecticut 880 Economic Innovations Authority" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.
- 881 (3) The procedures of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, 882 adopted pursuant to section 1-121 of the general statutes, shall remain 883 in full force and effect with respect to any matter arising under the 884 provisions of chapter 581 of the general statutes;
- 885 (4) The procedures of the Connecticut Development Authority, 886 adopted pursuant to section 1-121 of the general statutes, shall remain 887 in full force and effect with respect to any other matter before the 888 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- 889 (c) Except as expressly provided in this act, nothing in this act shall 890 be deemed to limit the powers exercised by the Connecticut 891 Development Authority or Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, 892 before the effective date of this act.
- 893 Sec. 13. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) During the period from July 894 1, 2009, to September 30, 2009, the Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, may enter into any 895 896 agreements with the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority that 897 are necessary to facilitate the assumption by the authority of the 898 responsibilities pursuant to sections 6 to 14, inclusive, of this act.
- 899 (b) The Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut 900 Innovations, Incorporated, may provide professional and clerical 901 support, facilities, equipment and supplies to the Connecticut 902 Economic Innovations Authority during the period from July 1, 2009, 903 to September 30, 2009, inclusive.
- 904 Sec. 14. Subsection (1) of section 1-79 of the general statutes is 905 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July

- 906 1, 2009):
- 907 (l) "Quasi-public agency" means the [Connecticut Development
- 908 Authority, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] Connecticut
- 909 Economic Innovations Authority, or any subsidiary thereof,
- 910 Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority, Connecticut
- 911 Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing
- 912 Finance Authority, Connecticut Housing Authority, Connecticut
- 913 Resources Recovery Authority, Lower Fairfield County Convention
- 914 Center Authority, Capital City Economic Development Authority and
- 915 Connecticut Lottery Corporation.
- 916 Sec. 15. Section 1-120 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 917 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in sections 1-120 to 1-123, inclusive, as amended by this act:
- 919 (1) "Quasi-public agency" means the [Connecticut Development
- 920 Authority, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] Connecticut
- 921 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u>, Connecticut Health and Educational
- 922 Facilities Authority, Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan
- 923 Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Connecticut
- 924 Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority,
- 925 Capital City Economic Development Authority and Connecticut
- 926 Lottery Corporation.
- 927 (2) "Procedure" means each statement, by a quasi-public agency, of
- 928 general applicability, without regard to its designation, that
- 929 implements, interprets or prescribes law or policy, or describes the
- 930 organization or procedure of any such agency. The term includes the
- 931 amendment or repeal of a prior regulation, but does not include,
- 932 unless otherwise provided by any provision of the general statutes, (A)
- 933 statements concerning only the internal management of any agency
- and not affecting procedures available to the public, and (B) intra-
- 935 agency memoranda.

- 939 Sec. 16. Section 1-124 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 941 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut 942 Economic Innovations Authority, the Connecticut Health and 943 Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Higher Education 944 Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Housing Finance 945 Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the Connecticut 946 Resources Recovery Authority and the Capital City Economic 947 Development Authority shall not borrow any money or issue any 948 bonds or notes which are guaranteed by the state of Connecticut or for 949 which there is a capital reserve fund of any kind which is in any way 950 contributed to or guaranteed by the state of Connecticut until and 951 unless such borrowing or issuance is approved by the State Treasurer 952 or the Deputy State Treasurer appointed pursuant to section 3-12. The 953 approval of the State Treasurer or said deputy shall be based on 954 documentation provided by the authority that it has sufficient 955 revenues to (1) pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and notes 956 issued, (2) establish, increase and maintain any reserves deemed by the 957 authority to be advisable to secure the payment of the principal of and 958 interest on such bonds and notes, (3) pay the cost of maintaining, 959 servicing and properly insuring the purpose for which the proceeds of 960 the bonds and notes have been issued, if applicable, and (4) pay such 961 other costs as may be required.
- 962 (b) To the extent the [Connecticut Development Authority] 963 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, Connecticut 964 Innovations, Incorporated, Connecticut Higher Education 965 Supplemental Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance 966 Authority, Connecticut Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources 967 Recovery Authority, Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities

Authority or the Capital City Economic Development Authority is permitted by statute and determines to exercise any power to moderate interest rate fluctuations or enter into any investment or program of investment or contract respecting interest rates, currency, cash flow or other similar agreement, including, but not limited to, interest rate or currency swap agreements, the effect of which is to subject a capital reserve fund which is in any way contributed to or guaranteed by the state of Connecticut, to potential liability, such determination shall not be effective until and unless the State Treasurer or his or her deputy appointed pursuant to section 3-12 has approved such agreement or agreements. The approval of the State Treasurer or his or her deputy shall be based on documentation provided by the authority that it has sufficient revenues to meet the financial obligations associated with the agreement or agreements.

Sec. 17. Section 1-125 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The directors, officers and employees of the [Connecticut Development Authority, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Connecticut Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Capital City Economic Development Authority and Connecticut Lottery Corporation and any person executing the bonds or notes of the agency shall not be liable personally on such bonds or notes or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof, nor shall any director or employee of the agency, including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, be personally liable for damage or injury, not wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious, caused in the performance of his or her duties and within the scope of his or her employment or appointment as such director, officer or employee,

1001 including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery 1002 Authority. The agency shall protect, save harmless and indemnify its 1003 directors, officers or employees, including ad hoc members of the 1004 Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, from financial loss and 1005 expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, 1006 demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or alleged 1007 deprivation of any person's civil rights or any other act or omission 1008 resulting in damage or injury, if the director, officer or employee, 1009 including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery 1010 Authority, is found to have been acting in the discharge of his or her 1011 duties or within the scope of his or her employment and such act or 1012 omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or 1013 malicious.

- Sec. 18. Section 3-24d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1016 The Treasurer may also sell participation certificates or securities of 1017 the Tax-Exempt Proceeds Fund to the Connecticut Housing Finance 1018 Authority, the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, the 1019 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic 1020 Innovations Authority, the Connecticut Health and Educational 1021 Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, any 1022 municipalities within the state and any other authorities, agencies, 1023 instrumentalities and political subdivisions of the state or of any 1024 municipality within the state. The participation certificates or securities 1025 shall bear and pay such interest and be issued subject to such terms 1026 and conditions as shall be determined and established by the 1027 Treasurer.
- Sec. 19. Section 3-24f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- Participation certificates or securities of the Tax-Exempt Proceeds Fund issued by the Treasurer under the provisions of sections 3-24a to 3-24h, inclusive, are hereby made legal investments for the Connecticut

- 1034 Authority, the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut
- 1035 Economic Innovations Authority, the Connecticut Health and
- 1036 Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan
- 1037 Foundation, all municipalities within the state, and all other
- 1038 authorities, agencies, instrumentalities and political subdivisions of the
- state or of any municipality within the state.
- Sec. 20. Section 4-124ff of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2009):
- 1042 (a) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall, within available 1043 appropriations and in consultation with the council established under 1044 subsection (b) of this section, establish a competitive "Innovation 1045 Challenge Grant" program to promote and encourage partnerships 1046 and collaborations involving technology-based business and industry 1047 with institutions of higher education and regional vocational-technical 1048 schools for the development of educational programs in emerging and 1049 interdisciplinary technology fields and to address related issues.
- 1050 (b) There is established a Council of Advisors on Strategies for the 1051 Knowledge Economy to promote the formation of university-industry 1052 partnerships, identify benchmarks for technology-based workforce 1053 innovation and competitiveness and advise the award process (1) for 1054 innovation challenge grants to public postsecondary schools and their 1055 business partners, and (2) grants under section 4-124hh, as amended 1056 by this act. The council shall be chaired by the director of the Office of 1057 Workforce Competitiveness and shall include the Secretary of the 1058 Office of Policy and Management, the Commissioners of Economic and 1059 Community Development and Higher Education, the Labor 1060 Commissioner, the executive [directors] director of [Connecticut 1061 Innovations, Incorporated and the [Connecticut Development 1062 Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and four 1063 representatives from the technology industry, one of whom shall be 1064 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom

shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 21. Section 8-134 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

For the purpose of carrying out or administering a redevelopment plan or other functions authorized under this chapter, a municipality, acting by and through its redevelopment agency, is hereby authorized, subject only to the limitations and procedures set forth in this section, to issue from time to time bonds of the municipality which are payable solely from and secured by: (a) A pledge of and lien upon any or all of the income, proceeds, revenues and property of redevelopment projects, including the proceeds of grants, loans, advances or contributions from the federal government, the state or other source, including financial assistance furnished by the municipality or any other public body pursuant to section 8-135; (b) taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, in whole or in part, allocated to and paid into a special fund of the municipality pursuant to the provisions of section 8-134a, as amended by this act; or (c) any combination of the methods in subsections (a) and (b) of this section. For the purposes of a specified project only, the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may, upon a resolution with respect to such project adopted by the legislative body of the municipality, issue and administer bonds which are payable solely or in part from and secured by the pledge and security provided for in this section subject to the general terms and provisions of law applicable to the issuance of bonds by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, except that the provisions of subsection (b) of section 32-23j shall not apply. Any bonds payable and secured as provided in this section shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by the legislative body of the municipality, notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute, local

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law or charter governing the authorization and issuance of bonds generally by the municipality. No such resolution shall be adopted until after a public hearing has been held upon such authorization. Notice of such hearing shall be published not less than five days prior to such hearing in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality. Such bonds shall be issued and sold in such manner; bear interest at such rate or rates, including variable rates to be determined in such manner as set forth in the proceedings authorizing the issuance of the bonds; provide for the payment of interest on such dates, whether before or at maturity; be issued at, above or below par; mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their date in the case of bonds issued to finance housing and facilities related thereto or thirty years from their date in all other cases; have such rank or priority; be payable in such medium of payment; be issued in such form, including, without limitation, registered or book-entry form, carry such registration and transfer privileges and be made subject to purchase or redemption before maturity at such price or prices and under such terms and conditions, including the condition that such bonds be subject to purchase or redemption on the demand of the owner thereof; and contain such other terms and particulars as the legislative body of the municipality or the officers delegated such authority by the legislative body of the municipality body shall determine. The proceedings under which bonds are authorized to be issued may, subject to the provisions of the general statutes, contain any or all of the following: (1) Provisions respecting custody of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds and any bond anticipation notes, including any requirements that such proceeds be held separate from or not be commingled with other funds of the municipality; (2) provisions for the investment and reinvestment of bond proceeds until such proceeds are used to pay project costs and for the disposition of any excess bond proceeds or investment earnings thereon; (3) provisions for the execution of reimbursement agreements, or similar agreements, in connection with credit facilities, including, but not limited to, letters of credit or policies of bond insurance, remarketing

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agreements and agreements for the purpose of moderating interest rate fluctuations; (4) provisions for the collection, custody, investment, reinvestment and use of the pledged revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys pledged for payment of bonds as provided in this section; (5) provisions regarding the establishment and maintenance of reserves, sinking funds and any other funds and accounts as shall be approved by the legislative body of the municipality in such amounts as may be established by the legislative body of the municipality and the regulation and disposition thereof, including requirements that any such funds and accounts be held separate from or not be commingled with other funds of the municipality; (6) covenants for the establishment of maintenance requirements with respect to facilities and properties; (7) provisions for the issuance of additional bonds on a parity with bonds issued prior to the issuance of such additional bonds, including establishment of coverage requirements with respect to such bonds as herein provided; (8) provisions regarding the rights and remedies available to the bond owners, note owners or any trustee under any contract, loan agreement, document, instrument or trust indenture in case of a default, including the right to appoint a trustee to represent their interests upon occurrence of any event of default, as defined in any such default proceedings, provided that if any bonds or bond anticipation notes are secured by a trust indenture, the respective owners of such bonds or notes shall have no authority except as set forth in such trust indenture to appoint a separate trustee to represent them; and (9) other provisions or covenants of like or different character from the foregoing which are consistent with this section and which the legislative body of the municipality determines in such proceedings are necessary, convenient or desirable in order to better secure the bonds or bond anticipation notes, or will tend to make the bonds or bond anticipation notes more marketable, and which are in the best interests of the municipality. Any provisions which may be included in proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under this section may be included in an indenture of trust duly approved in accordance with this section which secures the bonds and any notes

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issued in anticipation thereof, and in such case the provisions of such indenture shall be deemed to be a part of such proceedings as though they were expressly included therein. Any pledge made by the municipality shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, and any revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the municipality shall be subject immediately to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the municipality, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of such lien. Neither the resolution nor any other instrument by which a pledge is created need be recorded. The legislative body of the municipality may enter into a trust indenture by and between the municipality and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the municipality. Such trust indenture may contain such provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bond owners and note owners as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including covenants setting forth the duties of the municipality in relation to the exercise of its powers pursuant to this section and the custody, safeguarding and application of all moneys. The municipality may provide by such trust indenture for the payment of the pledged revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys to the trustee under such trust indenture or to any other depository, and for the method of disbursement thereof, with such safeguards and restrictions as it may determine. All expenses incurred in carrying out such trust indenture may be treated as project costs. Such bonds shall not be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality, provided, if such bonds are made payable, in whole or in part, from funds contracted to be advanced by the municipality, the aggregate amount of such funds not yet appropriated to such purpose shall be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality. As used in this section, "bonds" means any bonds, including refunding bonds, notes, interim certificates, debentures or

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other obligations. For purposes of this section and section 8-134a, <u>as</u>

amended by this act, references to the [Connecticut Development

1202 Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall include

1203 any subsidiary of the [Connecticut Development Authority]

1204 <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> established pursuant to

1205 [subsection (l) of section 32-11a] section 6 of this act.

Sec. 22. Section 8-134a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

Any redevelopment plan authorized under this chapter or any proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under this chapter may contain a provision that taxes, if any, identified in such plan or such authorizing proceedings and levied upon taxable real or personal property, or both, in a redevelopment project each year, or payments in lieu of such taxes authorized pursuant to chapter 114, or both, by or for the benefit of any one or more municipalities, districts, or other public taxing agencies after the effective date of the ordinance approving the redevelopment plan or such bond authorizing proceedings, as the case may be, shall be divided as follows: (1) In each fiscal year that portion of the taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, which would be produced by applying the then current tax rate of each of the taxing agencies to the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the redevelopment project on the effective date of such ordinance or the date of such authorizing proceedings, as the case may be, or on any date between such two dates which is identified in such proceedings, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes by or for said taxing agencies on all other property are paid; and (2) that portion of the assessed taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, each fiscal year in excess of the amount referred to in subdivision (1) of this section shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into a special fund of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds to be used in

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1233 each fiscal year, first to pay the principal of and interest due in such 1234 fiscal year on loans, moneys advanced to, or indebtedness, whether 1235 funded, refunded, assumed, or otherwise, incurred by such 1236 municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut 1237 Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds to finance or 1238 refinance in whole or in part, such redevelopment project, and then, at 1239 the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development 1240 Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of 1241 such bonds, to purchase bonds issued for the project which has 1242 generated the increments in taxes or payments in lieu of taxes and 1243 then, at the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut 1244 Development Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 1245 as issuer of such bonds, to reimburse the provider of or reimbursement 1246 party with respect to any guarantee, letter of credit, policy of bond 1247 insurance, funds deposited in a debt service reserve fund, funds 1248 deposited as capitalized interest or other credit enhancement device 1249 used to secure payment of debt service on any bonds, notes or other 1250 indebtedness of a municipality or the [Connecticut Development 1251 Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of 1252 such bonds issued pursuant to section 8-134, as amended by this act, to 1253 finance or refinance such redevelopment project, to the extent of any 1254 payments of debt service made therefrom. Unless and until the total 1255 assessed valuation of the taxable property in a redevelopment project 1256 exceeds the total assessed value of the taxable property in such project 1257 as shown by the last assessment list, referred to in subdivision (1) of 1258 this section, all of the taxes levied and collected and all of the 1259 payments in lieu of taxes due and collected upon the taxable property 1260 in such redevelopment project shall be paid into the funds of the 1261 respective taxing agencies. When such loans, advances, and 1262 indebtedness, if any, and interest thereon, and such debt service 1263 reimbursement to the provider of or reimbursement party with respect 1264 to such credits, have been paid, in full, all moneys thereafter received 1265 from taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, upon the taxable 1266 property in such redevelopment project shall be paid into the funds of

- 1267 the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes on all other
- 1268 property are paid.
- 1269 Sec. 23. Subsection (w) of section 32-23d of the general statutes is
- 1270 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 1271 1, 2009):
- 1272 (w) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority or
- 1273 its successor as established and created under section 32-11al
- 1274 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to
- 1275 section 6 of this act.
- 1276 Sec. 24. Section 32-23k of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 1277 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1278 The state of Connecticut does hereby pledge to and agree with the
- 1279 holders of any bonds and notes issued under the provisions of the
- 1280 authority legislation, as defined in subsection (hh) of section 32-23d,
- 1281 and with those parties who may enter into contracts with the
- 1282 Development Authority] [Connecticut Connecticut Economic
- 1283 Innovations Authority or its successor agency pursuant to the
- 1284 provisions of such authority legislation, that the state will not limit or
- 1285 alter the rights hereby vested in the authority until such obligations,
- 1286 together with the interest thereon, are fully met and discharged and
- 1287 such contracts are fully performed on the part of the authority,
- 1288 provided nothing contained herein shall preclude such limitation or
- 1289 alteration if and when adequate provision shall be made by law for the
- 1290 protection of the holders of such bonds and notes of the authority or
- 1291 those entering into such contracts with the authority. The authority is
- 1292 authorized to include this pledge and undertaking for the state in such
- 1293 bonds and notes or contracts.
- 1294 Sec. 25. Section 32-23q of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 1295 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1296 The provisions of sections 37-4 and 37-6 shall not apply to any bond,

- 1297 note or other obligation issued by the [Connecticut Development
- 1298 Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, or any loan,
- 1299 lease, sale agreement, note or other obligation evidencing a financial
- obligation to the authority.
- 1301 Sec. 26. Section 32-23r of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- The [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic</u>
- 1304 <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall require in all instances that a borrower or
- 1305 mortgagee shall enter into an agreement with the authority to give
- preference in employment to persons as set forth herein:
- 1307 (1) Where the funds involved are to be used for the purchase, lease
- or alteration of an existing facility which has been inoperative and the
- borrower or mortgagee intends to make, assemble or produce products
- and or services comparable to those previously made, assembled, or
- produced at such facility, preference shall be given to those previously
- employed at such facility within the twelve-month period immediately
- preceding its closing in the order of their total length of employment at
- the closed facility, provided that they can perform the work required
- by the borrower or mortgagee at such existing facility;
- 1316 (2) Where the funds involved are to be used for the purchase, lease
- or alteration of an existing facility which has been inoperative and the
- borrower or mortgagee intends to make, assemble or produce products
- different from those previously made, assembled or produced at the
- facility, preference in employment and training shall be given to those
- previously employed at such facility within the twelve-month period
- immediately preceding its closing in the order of their total length of
- employment at the closed facility, provided such training shall not
- 1324 exceed twelve weeks; and
- 1325 (3) Where the borrower or mortgagee is not the operating or
- 1326 producing entity at the facility being financed, the borrower or
- 1327 mortgagee shall be required to enter into an irrevocable agreement

with the operating or producing entity containing the above requirements and proof of such agreement shall be provided to the authority before approval of any funds or insurance.

Sec. 27. Section 32-23t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

It is hereby found and declared as a matter of legislative determination that there is a continuing need for stimulation and encouragement of the growth and development of the state economy through the provision of two comprehensive loan programs and the establishment of a locally administered business outreach center challenge grant program which address the economic needs of a wide variety of business enterprises located throughout the state, including, but not limited to, development corporations, small contractors, small manufacturers, small business investment companies, employee groups, small water companies, small exporters, businesses affected by emergencies or disasters, small farmers, small retailers or service firms, high risk small businesses, start-up businesses, businesses located in various regions of the state, and other businesses that may be unable to obtain adequate financing from conventional sources. It is further found and declared that consolidating many of the separate loan programs currently administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development into two revolving loan funds to be administered by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority will enhance such programs for all borrowers, permit better targeting of state assistance to firms important to the economic base of the state, improve accounting and administration, alleviate marketing, administrative and technical problems created by changes in federal tax law, permit more effective use of existing resources and better enable the state to protect itself from losses through the establishment of a loan loss reserve and an improved loan work-out capability. It is further found and declared that major changes in the financial markets have altered the availability of capital to small and medium firms in

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- the state, that assistance to high risk small and start-up businesses is
- important to the state economy and that such loan consolidation will
- better enable the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut
- 1364 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> to leverage state assistance through
- active participation of private sector investments in small businesses.
- Sec. 28. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 32-23v of the
- general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 1368 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1369 (3) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority
- 1370 established under section 32-11a] Connecticut Economic Innovations
- 1371 <u>Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act</u> or its successor.
- 1372 Sec. 29. Subsection (a) of section 32-23x of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 1374 1, 2009):
- 1375 (a) As used in this section:
- 1376 (1) "Affiliate" means a business concern which directly controls or is
- 1377 controlled by another business concern, or a third party which controls
- 1378 both business concerns:
- 1379 (2) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority
- 1380 established under section 32-11a] Connecticut Economic Innovations
- Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act or its successor;
- 1382 (3) "Department" means the Department of Economic and
- 1383 Community Development or its successor agency;
- 1384 (4) "Enterprise zone" has the same meaning as provided in section
- 1385 32-70;
- 1386 (5) "Impacted business" means any person impacted by (A) a
- disaster caused by natural forces including, but not limited to, floods
- or hurricanes or (B) an economic emergency including, but not limited

- 1389 to, an existing or threatened major plant shutdown, business 1390 disruption from a major road or bridge repair project or other existing 1391 or potential economic emergency, provided such disaster or 1392 emergency described in subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision is 1393 proclaimed as such by declaration of the Commissioner of Economic 1394 and Community Development, with the consent of the Secretary of the 1395 Office of Policy and Management, upon a determination by the 1396 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development that such 1397 disaster or emergency is of a magnitude that could materially affect the 1398 health or well-being of the citizens of the impacted area and that the 1399 financial assistance provided for under this section is necessary to assure timely and effective relief and restoration; 1400
- 1401 (6) "Loans" means loans and extensions of lines of credit;
- 1402 (7) "Minority business enterprise" means any person who meets the 1403 criteria contained in section 4a-60g and who is receiving a state 1404 contract award;
 - (8) "Person" means any person or entity, including affiliates, engaged in a for-profit activity or activities in this state and who, except for an impacted business, is not an eligible borrower for assistance under the provisions of the Connecticut Growth Fund established under section 32-23v, as amended by this act;
 - (9) "Rate of interest" means the interest rate which the authority shall charge and collect on each loan made by the state under this section, which rate shall not exceed one per cent above the interest rate borne by the general obligation bonds of the state last issued prior to the date such loan is made, provided, such rate shall not exceed the maximum allowable under federal law;
- 1416 (10) "Small contractor" means any person who is a contractor, 1417 subcontractor, manufacturer or service company who has been in 1418 business for at least one year prior to the date of its application for 1419 assistance under this section and whose gross revenues, including

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- revenues of affiliates, did not exceed three million dollars in its most recently completed fiscal year prior to the date of its application for assistance under this section;
- 1423 (11) "State or local development corporation" means any entity 1424 organized under the laws of this state which has the authority to 1425 promote and assist the growth and development of business concerns 1426 in the areas covered by their operations;
 - (12) "Targeted business" means a person located in an enterprise zone whose gross revenues did not exceed three million dollars in its most recently completed fiscal year prior to the date of its application for assistance under this section, or if such person has not been in business for at least one year prior to the date of such application, if the authority determines in its discretion that such person's gross revenues, including revenues of affiliates, are not likely to exceed three million dollars in its first fiscal year;
 - (13) "Water facilities" means (A) investor-owned water companies which supply water to at least twenty-five but less than ten thousand customers, (B) municipally-owned water companies, and (C) owners of privately and municipally-owned dams which the Commissioner of Environmental Protection has determined benefit the public.
- Sec. 30. Section 32-23z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1442 (a) A Business Environmental Clean-Up Revolving Loan Fund is 1443 created. The state, acting through the [Connecticut Development 1444 Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, may provide 1445 loans or lines of credit from the Business Environmental Clean-Up 1446 Revolving Loan Fund (1) to businesses for the purposes of the 1447 containment and removal or mitigation of the discharge, spillage, 1448 uncontrolled loss, seepage or filtration of oil or petroleum or chemical 1449 liquids or solid, liquid or gaseous products or hazardous wastes and 1450 (2) to businesses which convert gas and diesel-powered motor vehicles

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to vehicles powered by either gas or diesel fuel and a clean-burning alternative fuel, including but not limited to, compressed natural gas or electricity. Loans or lines of credit under subdivision (2) shall be for working or development capital. For the purposes of this section, "business" means any business which (A) if applying for assistance under subdivision (1), has been in business for at least one year prior to the date of application for its loan or line of credit or, if applying for assistance under subdivision (2), has been in business for at least two years prior to such application date, (B) has gross revenues, including revenues of affiliates, less than three million dollars in the most recent fiscal year before the date of the application or has less than one hundred fifty employees and, if applying for assistance under subdivision (2), derived at least seventy-five per cent of its gross revenues in such year from motor vehicle fuel conversion activities, (C) if applying for assistance under subdivision (1), has been doing business and has maintained its principal office and place of business in the state for a period of at least one year prior to the date of its application for assistance under this section or, if applying for assistance under subdivision (2), has been doing business and has maintained such office and business in the state for a period of at least two years prior to such application date and (D) demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the authority and in its sole discretion, that it is unable to obtain financing from conventional sources on reasonable terms or in reasonable amounts. The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall charge and collect interest on each such loan or line of credit at a rate to be determined in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. The total amount of such loans or lines of credit provided to any single business in any period of twelve consecutive months shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars. Payments made by businesses on all loans and lines of credit paid to the Treasurer for deposit in the Business Environmental Clean-Up Revolving Loan Fund shall be credited to such fund.

1484 (b) The authority shall take any reasonable action it deems

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- appropriate to moderate losses on loans and lines of credit made under this section, including, but not limited to, development and
- implementation of written procedures, in accordance with section 1-
- 1488 121, and a strategy to manage the assets of the fund and any losses
- 1489 incurred.
- 1490 (c) The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut
- 1491 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> shall establish loan procedures,
- interest, repayment terms, security requirements, default and remedy
- provisions and such other terms and conditions as the authority shall
- 1494 deem appropriate.
- (d) Each such loan or extension of credit shall be authorized by the
- 1496 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic
- 1497 <u>Innovations Authority</u> or, if the authority so determines, by a
- 1498 committee of the authority consisting of the chairman and either one
- other member of the authority or its executive director, as specified in
- 1500 the determination of the authority. Any administrative expenses
- incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, to the extent not
- paid by the authority, shall be paid from the Business Environmental
- 1503 Clean-Up Revolving Loan Fund. Payments from the Business
- 1504 Environmental Clean-Up Revolving Loan Fund to businesses or to pay
- such administrative expenses shall be made by the Treasurer upon
- 1506 certification by the executive director of the authority that the payment
- is authorized under the provisions of this section, under the applicable
- rules and regulations of the authority, and, if made to a business,
- 1509 under the terms and conditions established by the authority or the
- 1510 duly appointed committee thereof in authorizing the making of the
- 1511 loan or the extension of credit.
- 1512 Sec. 31. Section 32-23aa of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- The [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic</u>
- 1515 Innovations Authority shall not approve any application for financial
- assistance for any project unless such project complies with all state

- 1517 laws and regulations adopted thereunder.
- 1518 Sec. 32. Section 32-23hh of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 1519 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1520 As used in sections 32-23gg to 32-23ll, inclusive:
- 1521 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority,
- 1522 created under section 32-11a] Connecticut Economic Innovations
- 1523 Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act;
- 1524 (2) "Executive director" means the executive director of the
- 1525 [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic</u>
- 1526 <u>Innovations Authority</u>;
- 1527 (3) "Financial assistance" means any and all forms of loans,
- extensions of credit, guarantees, equity investments or any other form
- 1529 of financing or refinancing to persons for the purchase, acquisition,
- 1530 construction, expansion, continued operation, reconstruction,
- 1531 financing, refinancing or placing in operation of an economic
- 1532 development project, including, but not limited to, fixed assets,
- 1533 working capital, equity participations and acquisitions, employee
- 1534 buyouts, refinancing, financial restructuring, and other purposes
- which the authority determines further the purposes of sections 32-
- 1536 23gg to 32-23*ll*, inclusive;
- 1537 (4) "Economic development project" means any project (A) which is
- 1538 to be used or occupied by any person for manufacturing, industrial,
- 1539 research or product warehousing or distribution purposes, or any
- 1540 combination thereof, and which the authority determines will tend to
- maintain or provide gainful employment, maintain or increase the tax
- base of the economy, or maintain, expand or diversify industry in the
- state, or for any other purpose which the authority determines will
- 1544 materially support the economic base of the state, by creating or
- retaining jobs, promoting the export of products or services beyond
- state boundaries, encouraging innovation in products or services, or

- otherwise contributing to, supporting or enhancing existing activities that are important to the economic base of the state, and (B) which is unable to obtain conventional financing in satisfactory amounts or on satisfactory terms in the sole judgment of the authority, or whose ability, in the judgment of the authority, to start, continue to operate, expand, or maintain operations or relocate to Connecticut, is dependent upon financial assistance;
- 1554 (5) "Person" means a person as defined in subsection (s) of section 1555 32-23d; and
- 1556 (6) "Return on investment" means any and all forms of principal or 1557 interest payments, insurance premiums or guarantee fees, equity 1558 participations, options, warrants, debentures and any or all other 1559 forms of remuneration to the authority in return for any financial 1560 assistance provided or offered.
- Sec. 33. Section 32-23qq of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1563 (a) An Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund is created. 1564 The state, acting through the [Connecticut Development Authority] 1565 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, or any subsidiary of the 1566 authority may provide grants, loans, lines of credit or loan guarantees 1567 to municipalities or businesses from the Environmental Assistance 1568 Revolving Loan Fund for the purposes of pollution prevention 1569 activities, as defined in section 32-23rr, for purchases and the costs 1570 associated with compliance with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1571 1990 (42 USC 7401, et seq.), as amended, or for remediation of 1572 contaminated real property. Within the Environmental Assistance 1573 Revolving Loan Fund, a loan subfund is created solely to provide loans 1574 and lines of credit as provided in this section, a guarantee subfund is 1575 created solely to provide loan guarantees as provided in this section 1576 and a grant subfund is created solely to provide grants as provided 1577 under this section. No financial assistance, nor any commitment to 1578 provide financial assistance, shall be provided by or entered into by

the authority or any subsidiary of the authority pursuant to sections 32-23pp to 32-23ss, inclusive, as amended by this act, which would cause the aggregate amount of all such financial assistance and commitments then outstanding to exceed the sum of the amounts in the applicable subfund of the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund plus the amount of any unpaid grants authorized to be made by the Department of Economic and Community Development to the authority or any subsidiary of the authority for deposit in the applicable subfund of the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund, provided the amount of financial assistance in the form of any guarantee shall be measured by the portion of unpaid loan principal which is guaranteed by the authority. Notwithstanding the above, the aggregate amount of financial assistance in the form of guarantees and commitments with respect thereto, calculated as above, may be up to four times the sum of the amounts available in the guarantee subfund of the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund plus the amount of any unpaid grants which remain available and are specifically designated by the department for purposes of such subfund pursuant to the bond authorization in section 32-23ss, as amended by this act. For the purposes of this section, "business" means any business which (1) has gross revenues of less than twenty-five million dollars in its fiscal year ending prior to the application for any such loans, lines of credit or loan guarantees, or (2) has fewer than one hundred fifty employees. The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or any subsidiary of the authority shall charge and collect interest on each such loan or line of credit at a rate to be determined in accordance with procedures adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. Payments made by businesses on all loans, lines of credit and loan guarantees shall be paid to the authority or any subsidiary of the authority for deposit in the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund.

(b) The [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut</u> <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> and any subsidiary of the authority shall adopt written procedures, in accordance with the provisions of

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- (c) Each such grant, loan, guarantee or extension of credit shall be authorized by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or any subsidiary of the authority or, if the authority or any subsidiary of the authority so determines, by a committee of the authority or any subsidiary of the authority consisting of the chairman and either one other member of the authority or subsidiary or its executive director, as specified in the determination of the authority or subsidiary. Any administrative expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, to the extent not paid by the authority or any subsidiary of the authority or from moneys appropriated to the authority or any subsidiary of the authority, shall be paid from the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund. Payments from the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund to businesses or municipalities or to pay such administrative expenses shall be made by the authority or any subsidiary of the authority upon certification by the chairman of the authority or such subsidiary that the payment is authorized under the provisions of this section, under the applicable rules and regulations of the authority or subsidiary, and, if made to a business or municipality under the terms and conditions established by the authority or subsidiary or the duly appointed committee thereof in authorizing the making of the grant, loan or the extension of credit.
- Sec. 34. Section 32-23ss of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and

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in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate two million dollars.

- (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Economic and Community Development to make grants to the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for deposit in the Environmental Assistance Revolving Loan Fund to be used for the purpose of sections 32-23pp to 32-23rr, inclusive, and this section. The terms and conditions of said grants shall be governed in accordance with a grant contract between the department and the authority.
- (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest

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- as the same become due.
- Sec. 35. Section 32-23tt of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 1680 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in section 32-23ll, this section, and sections 32-23uu,
- 1682 32-23vv and 32-235:
- 1683 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority]
- 1684 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established [under the
- provisions of this chapter] <u>pursuant to section 6 of this act</u>;
- 1686 (2) "Educational upgrades" means (A) programs designed to
- increase the basic skills of workers and production workers including,
- 1688 but not limited to training, in written and oral communication,
- 1689 mathematics or science, or (B) training in innovative production
- 1690 methods and workplace oriented computer technical skills;
- 1691 (3) "Financial assistance" means grants, loans, loan guarantees or
- interest rate subsidies or any combination thereof;
- 1693 (4) "Manufacturing or economic base business" means a business
- defined under subsection (l) of section 32-222*;
- 1695 (5) "Production worker" means an employee of a manufacturer
- 1696 whose principal duties are located within the state, and consist of the
- assembly or construction of the manufacturer's product or a portion
- 1698 thereof; and
- 1699 (6) "Worker" means an employee of a manufacturing or economic-
- based business whose principal duties are located within the state.
- 1701 Sec. 36. Section 32-23yy of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 1702 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 1703 (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the
- 1704 following meanings unless the context indicates another meaning and
- 1705 intent:

- 1706 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority, 1707 created under section 32-11al Connecticut Economic Innovations 1708 Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act, and any of its 1709 subsidiaries or affiliates;
- 1710 (2) "Executive Director" means the executive director of the 1711 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic 1712 Innovations Authority;
- 1713 (3) "Financial assistance" means any and all forms of grants, loans, 1714 extensions of credit, guarantees, equity investments or other forms of 1715 financing or refinancing to persons for the purchase, acquisition, 1716 leasing, construction, expansion, continued operation, reconstruction, 1717 financing, refinancing or placing in operation of an information 1718 technology project, including, but not limited to, fixed assets, working 1719 capital, equity participations and acquisitions, employee buyouts, 1720 refinancing, lease guarantees, financial restructuring and other 1721 purposes which the authority determines further the purposes of this 1722 section. For purposes of this section financial assistance shall not be 1723 considered financial assistance under the provisions of section 32-462;
- 1724 "Information technology project" means an information 1725 technology project, as defined in section 32-23d, as amended by this 1726 act;
- 1727 (5) "Person" means a person, as defined in subsection (s) of section 1728 32-23d;
- 1729 (6) "Return on investment" means any and all forms of principal or 1730 interest payments, guarantee fees, equity participations, options, 1731 warrants, debentures and any or all other forms of remuneration to the 1732 authority in return for any financial assistance provided or offered.
- 1733 (b) There is created within the authority the High-Technology 1734 Infrastructure Fund. The state, acting through the authority, may 1735 provide financial assistance from said fund that enables the

development of information technology projects. Such financial assistance may be provided directly or in participation with any other financial institutions, funds or other persons or other sources of financing, public or private, and the authority may enter into any agreements or contracts it deems necessary or convenient in connection therewith. Payments of principal, interest or other forms of return on investment received by the authority shall be deposited in or held on behalf of said fund.

- (c) The authority may provide financial assistance in such amounts, in such form and under such terms and conditions as the authority shall prescribe, in written procedures adopted in accordance with section 1-121. Such procedures shall provide, in the case of financial assistance in a form other than a grant, for returns on investment as the authority deems appropriate to reflect the nature of the risk, provided a single project shall not receive an amount in excess of fifteen million dollars and shall not be for a term longer than thirty years.
- (d) The authority may take all reasonable steps and exercise all reasonable remedies necessary or desirable to protect the obligations or interests of the authority, including, but not limited to, the purchase or redemption in foreclosure proceedings, bankruptcy proceedings or in other judicial proceedings, of any property on which it holds a mortgage or other lien or in which it has an interest, and for such purposes and any other purposes provided in this section payment may be made from the High-Technology Infrastructure Fund upon certification by the executive director that payment is authorized under the provisions of this section, or other sections of the general statutes, applicable procedures or other programs of the authority.
- (e) Applicants for financial assistance shall pay the costs the authority deems reasonable and necessary incurred in processing applications made under this section, including application and commitment fees, closing costs or other costs. In carrying out the provisions of this section, any administrative expenses incurred by the

authority, to the extent not paid by the borrower or from moneys appropriated to the authority for such purposes, may be paid from the High-Technology Infrastructure Fund.

Sec. 37. Section 32-23zz of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) For the purpose of assisting (1) any information technology project, as defined in subsection (ee) of section 32-23d, which is located in an eligible municipality, as defined in subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of section 32-9t, or (2) any remediation project, as defined in subsection (ii) of section 32-23d, the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may, upon a resolution of the legislative body of a municipality, issue and administer bonds which are payable solely or in part from and secured by: (A) A pledge of and lien upon any and all of the income, proceeds, revenues and property of such a project, including the proceeds of grants, loans, advances or contributions from the federal government, the state or any other source, including financial assistance furnished by the municipality or any other public body, (B) taxes or payments or grants in lieu of taxes allocated to and payable into a special fund of the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic <u>Innovations Authority</u> pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, or (C) any combination of the foregoing. Any such bonds of the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their date of issuance and shall be subject to the general terms and provisions of law applicable to the issuance of bonds by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, except that such bonds shall be issued without a special capital reserve fund as provided in subsection (b) of section 32-23j and, for purposes of section 32-23f, only the approval of the board of directors of the authority shall be required for the issuance and sale of such bonds. Any pledge made by the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut

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Economic Innovations Authority for bonds issued as provided in this section shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, and revenues and other receipts, funds or moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall be subject to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of such pledge shall be valid and binding against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the municipality or the [Connecticut Authority] Development Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, even if the parties have no notice of such lien. Recording of the resolution or any other instrument by which such a pledge is created shall not be required. In connection with any such assignment of taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may, if the resolution so provides, exercise the rights provided for in section 12-195h of an assignee for consideration of any lien filed to secure the payment of such taxes or payments in lieu of taxes. All expenses incurred in providing such assistance may be treated as project costs.

(b) Any proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under this section may contain a provision that taxes or a specified portion thereof, if any, identified in such authorizing proceedings and levied upon taxable real or personal property, or both, in a project each year, or payments or grants in lieu of such taxes or a specified portion thereof, by or for the benefit of any one or more municipalities, districts or other public taxing agencies, as the case may be, shall be divided as follows: (1) In each fiscal year that portion of the taxes or payments or grants in lieu of taxes which would be produced by applying the then current tax rate of each of the taxing agencies to the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the project on the date of such authorizing proceedings, adjusted in the case of grants in lieu of taxes to reflect the applicable statutory rate of reimbursement, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as

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1835 taxes by or for said taxing agencies on all other property are paid; and 1836 (2) that portion of the assessed taxes or the payments or grants in lieu 1837 of taxes, or both, each fiscal year in excess of the amount referred to in 1838 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be allocated to and when 1839 collected shall be paid into a special fund of the [Connecticut 1840 Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 1841 to be used in each fiscal year, in the discretion of the [Connecticut 1842 Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations 1843 Authority, to pay the principal of and interest due in such fiscal year 1844 on bonds issued by the [Connecticut Development Authority] 1845 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to finance, refinance or 1846 otherwise assist such project, to purchase bonds issued for such project, or to reimburse the provider of or reimbursement party with 1847 1848 respect to any guarantee, letter of credit, policy of bond insurance, 1849 funds deposited in a debt service reserve fund, funds deposited as 1850 capitalized interest or other credit enhancement device used to secure 1851 payment of debt service on any bonds issued by the [Connecticut 1852 Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 1853 to finance, refinance or otherwise assist such project, to the extent of 1854 any payments of debt service made therefrom. Unless and until the 1855 total assessed valuation of the taxable property in a project exceeds the 1856 total assessed value of the taxable property in such project as shown by 1857 the last assessment list referred to in subdivision (1) of this subsection, 1858 all of the taxes levied and collected and all of the payments or grants in 1859 lieu of taxes due and collected upon the taxable property in such 1860 project shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies. 1861 When such bonds and interest thereof, and such debt service 1862 reimbursement to the provider of or reimbursement party with respect 1863 to such credit enhancement, have been paid in full, all moneys 1864 thereafter received from taxes or payments or grants in lieu of taxes 1865 upon the taxable property in such development project shall be paid 1866 into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as 1867 taxes on all other property are paid. The total amount of bonds issued 1868 pursuant to this section which are payable from grants in lieu of taxes

1869 payable by the state shall not exceed an amount of bonds, the debt 1870 service on which in any state fiscal year is, in total, equal to one million 1871 dollars.

- (c) The authority may make grants or provide loans or other forms of financial assistance from the proceeds of special or general obligation notes or bonds of the authority issued without the security of a special capital reserve fund within the meaning of subsection (b) of section 32-23j, which bonds are payable from and secured by, in whole or in part, the pledge and security provided for in section 8-134, as amended by this act, 8-192, 32-227 or this section, all on such terms and conditions, including such agreements with the municipality and the developer of the project, as the authority determines to be appropriate in the circumstances, provided any such project in an area designated as an enterprise zone pursuant to section 32-70 receiving such financial assistance shall be ineligible for any fixed assessment pursuant to section 32-71, and the authority, as a condition of such grant, loan or other financial assistance, may require the waiver, in whole or in part, of any property tax exemption with respect to such project otherwise available under subsection (59) or (60) of section 12-81.
- (d) As used in this section, "bonds" means any bonds, including refunding bonds, notes, temporary notes, interim certificates, debentures or other obligations; "legislative body" has the meaning provided in subsection (w) of section 32-222; and "municipality" means a town, city, consolidated town or city or consolidated town and borough.
- (e) For purposes of this section, references to the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall include any subsidiary of the [Connecticut Development Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to subsection (l) of section 32-11a, and a municipality may act by and through its implementing agency, as defined in subsection (k)

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- 1901 of section 32-222.
- 1902 (f) No commitments for new projects shall be approved by the authority under this section on or after July 1, 2010.
- 1904 (g) In the case of a remediation project, as defined in subsection (ii) 1905 of section 32-23d, that involves buildings that are vacant, underutilized 1906 or in deteriorating condition and as to which municipal real property 1907 taxes are delinquent, in whole or in part, for more than one fiscal year, 1908 the amount determined in accordance with subdivision (1) of 1909 subsection (b) of this section may, if the resolution of the municipality 1910 so provides, be established at an amount less than the amount so 1911 determined, but not less than the amount of municipal property taxes 1912 actually paid during the most recently completed fiscal year. If the 1913 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic 1914 <u>Innovations Authority</u> issues bonds for the remediation project, the 1915 amount established in the resolution shall be used for all purposes of 1916 subsection (a) of this section.
- 1917 Sec. 38. Section 32-34 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another meaning and intent:
- (1) ["Corporation" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated as created under section 32-35] "Authority" means the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act;
- 1926 (2) "Entrepreneur" means any person who seeks to organize, operate 1927 and assume the risk for a business enterprise, or who organizes, 1928 operates and assumes the risk for a business enterprise;
- 1929 **[**(3) "Finance committee" means a committee or subcommittee or subcommit

1932 behalf of the corporation to provide financial aid;]

1933 [(4)] (3) "Financial aid" means the infusion of capital to persons, in 1934 any form whatsoever, including, but not limited to, grants, loans, 1935 equity, leases, guarantees, royalty arrangements, other risk capital and other types of financial assistance;

[(5)] (4) "Incubator facilities" means a building, structure or complex designed, constructed, renovated or developed to house and provide research and other services to assist small technology-based companies;

[(6)] (5) "Invention" means any new product without regard to whether a patent has been or could be granted;

[(7)] (6) "Person" means any individual, general or limited partnership, corporation, limited liability company, institution of higher education, governmental entity or joint venture conducting research into ideas with commercial potential or carrying on business, or proposing to carry on business, within the state which (A) in the case of an individual, general or limited partnership, corporation, limited liability company or joint venture, demonstrates to the corporation the inability (i) to obtain conventional financing in satisfactory amounts or on satisfactory terms or (ii) to locate or continue operations in the state without assistance as provided in this chapter, and (B) demonstrates to the corporation that any project for research into or the development of specific technologies, products, devices, techniques or procedures or the marketing of services based on the use of such technologies, products, devices, techniques or procedures for which assistance under this chapter, is sought, (i) will create new or retain existing jobs in the state, (ii) will result in an increase in the amount of goods or services exported from the state, (iii) will help to strengthen the economy of the state, or (iv) will promote the development and utilization of technology in the state;

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- 1967 capable of being, or have been, reduced to practice;
- 1968 [(9)] (8) "Research" means the scientific and engineering analysis, 1969 investigation, collection of ideas and inquiry into concepts, processes 1970 and techniques, the purpose of which is intended to result in a 1971 commercially feasible product, process or technique;
- 1972 [(10)] (9) "Seed venture" means a business or other entity in the early 1973 stage of development;
- 1974 [(11)] (10) "Technical peer review committee" means a committee, 1975 subcommittee or other entity organized by the corporation to provide 1976 advice and counsel concerning the technological, marketing and 1977 management feasibility of projects in connection with each application 1978 for financial and technical assistance;
- 1979 [(12)] (11) "Technology" means the conversion of basic scientific 1980 research into processes, techniques and products which may have 1981 commercial potential;
- 1982 [(13)] (12) "Advanced technology center" means a cooperative 1983 research center in a specified field of science and technology 1984 established and funded, subject to the requirements in sections 32-40a, 1985 as amended by this act, 32-40b, as amended by this act, and 32-40c, as 1986 amended by this act, through an academic, industrial and 1987 governmental partnership for purposes of technological research with 1988 a direct relationship to economic development in the state;
- 1989 [(14)] (13) "Venture" means, without limitation, any contractual 1990 arrangement with any person whereby the corporation obtains rights 1991 from or in an invention or product or proceeds therefrom, or rights to

- [(15)] (14) "Venture lease" means a lease by the corporation to a technology company of any real or personal property, on such terms, including lease payments, lease term and purchase options, as the corporation shall determine;
- 2001 [(16)] (15) "Affiliate" means any person that directly or indirectly 2002 through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is 2003 under common control with, another person, including, but not 2004 limited to, any corporation, general or limited partnership or limited 2005 liability company controlled, directly or indirectly, by such other 2006 person or the corporation, provided, in addition to other means of 2007 being controlled, a general or limited partnership or limited liability company shall be deemed to be controlled by the corporation if the 2008 2009 corporation or one of its affiliates acts as a general partner or a 2010 manager of such general or limited partnership or limited liability 2011 company;
- [(17)] (16) "Capital initiative" means providing financial aid through one or more affiliates and raising the capital for such affiliates, in whole or in part, from sources other than the state;
- 2015 [(18)] (17) "Preseed financing" means financial aid provided for 2016 research and formulation of a concept;
- [(19)] (18) "Seed financing" means financial aid to an inventor or entrepreneur to assess the viability of a concept and to qualify for start-up financing to fund, including, but not limited to, product development, market research, management team building and, pending successful progress on such initial steps, business plan development;

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- 2023 [(20)] (19) "Start-up financing" means financial aid to companies in 2024 the process of organizing as a business or that have been in operation 2025 for less than one year and (A) have completed product development 2026 and initial marketing but have not sold such product commercially, 2027 and (B) have established viability by performing market studies, 2028 assembling key management, developing a business plan and may also 2029 qualify for start-up financing by demonstrating viability by other 2030 means deemed appropriate by the corporation;
- 2031 [(21)] (20) "Early or first-stage financing" means financial aid to 2032 companies that have expended initial capital, developed and market-2033 tested prototypes, and demonstrate that such funds are necessary to 2034 initiate full-scale manufacturing and sales;
- 2035 [(22)] (21) "Expansion financing" means financial aid to companies 2036 for market expansion or to enhance the fiscal position of a company in 2037 preceding a liquidity event including, but not limited to, an initial public offering or acquisition. 2038
- 2039 Sec. 39. Section 32-39c of the general statutes is repealed and the 2040 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) With respect to any affiliate created pursuant to section [32-39] 8 of this act, liability shall be limited solely to the assets and revenues or other resources of any such affiliate and without recourse liability to [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] Connecticut Economic <u>Innovations Authority</u> its other funds or any other assets of the [corporation] authority, except to the extent of any express written guarantees by the [corporation] authority or any investments made or committed to by the [corporation] authority.
 - (b) The provisions of sections 32-47 as amended by this act, and 1-125, as amended by this act, shall apply to any officer, director, designee or employee serving at the request of the [corporation] authority as a member, director or officer or advisor of any such affiliate. Any such person so appointed shall not be personally liable

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2054 for the debts, obligations or liabilities of any such affiliate as provided 2055 in said section 1-125. Any affiliate shall and the [corporation] authority 2056 may provide the indemnification to protect, save harmless and 2057 indemnify such officer, director, designee or employee as provided in 2058 said section 1-125.

2059 Sec. 40. Section 32-39d of the general statutes is repealed and the 2060 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

Guarantees issued by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and all equity instruments and obligations, any of which include a guarantee of a return of capital or principal by the [corporation] authority, under the provisions of this chapter, are hereby made securities in which all public officers and public bodies of the state and its political subdivisions, all insurance companies, state banks and trust companies, national banking associations, savings banks, savings and loan associations, investment companies, executors, administrators, trustees and other fiduciaries may properly and legally invest funds, including capital in their control or belonging to them. Such instruments and obligations are hereby made securities which may properly and legally be deposited with and received by any state or municipal officer or any agency or political subdivision of the state for any purpose for which the deposit of bonds or obligations of the state is now or may hereafter be authorized by law.

- Sec. 41. Section 32-39e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2079 (a) If, in the exercise of its powers under section 32-39, [Connecticut 2080 Innovations, Incorporated] as amended by this act, the Connecticut 2081 Economic Innovations Authority finds that the use of a certain technology, product or process would promote public health and 2082 2083 safety, environmental protection or economic development and such 2084 technology, product or process was developed by a business domiciled 2085 in this state to which the [corporation] <u>authority</u> has provided financial

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(b) If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management finds that employing such technology, product or process would be feasible in the operations of a state agency and would not have any detrimental effect on such operations, said secretary, notwithstanding the requirement of chapter 58, may direct an agency of the state to accept delivery of such technology, product or process and to undertake such a test program. Any costs associated with the acquisition and use of such technology, product or process by the testing agency shall be borne by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, the business or by any investor or participant in such business. The acquisition of any technology, product or process for purposes of the test program established pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to be a purchase under the provisions of the state procurement policy. The testing agency, on

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- 2121 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> shall maintain records related to such
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- 2123 the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and shall make such
- 2124 records and any other information derived from such test program
- 2125 available to [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut
- 2126 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> and the business. Any proprietary
- 2127 information derived from such test program shall be exempt from the
- 2128 provisions of subsection (a) of section 1-210.
- 2129 (c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and
- 2130 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic
- 2131 <u>Innovations Authority</u> may develop a program to recognize state
- 2132 agencies that help to promote public health and safety, environmental
- 2133 protection or economic development by participating in a testing
- 2134 program under this section. Such program may include the creation of
- 2135 a fund established with savings accrued by the testing agency during
- 2136 its participation in the testing program established under this section.
- 2137 Such fund shall only be used to implement the program of recognition
- 2138 established by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management
- 2139 and [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut
- 2140 <u>Economic Innovations Authority</u> under the provisions of this
- 2141 subsection.
- Sec. 42. Section 32-40 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2144 (a) All applications for financial aid shall be forwarded, together
- with an application fee prescribed by the [corporation] authority, to
- 2146 the executive director of the [corporation] <u>authority</u>. Each such
- 2147 application shall be processed in accordance with the written
- 2148 procedures adopted by the [corporation] <u>authority</u> under subdivision
- 2149 (5) of subsection (d) of section 32-35. The [finance committee] board of
- 2150 <u>directors</u> of the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall approve or deny each
- 2151 application recommended by the chief executive [director] officer. If

- the [finance committee] <u>board of directors</u> approves an application, [such committee] <u>it</u> may authorize the [corporation] <u>authority</u> to enter into an agreement or agreements on behalf of the [corporation] <u>authority</u> to provide financial aid to the applicant. The applicant shall be promptly notified of such action by the [corporation] authority.
- 2157 (b) In making the decision as to approval or denial of an application, 2158 the [finance committee] board of directors of the [corporation] 2159 authority shall give priority to those applicants (1) whose businesses 2160 are defense-dependent, or are located in municipalities which the 2161 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development has 2162 declared have been severely impacted by prime defense contract 2163 cutbacks pursuant to section 32-56, and (2) whose proposed research 2164 and development activity, technology, product or invention is to be 2165 used to convert all or a portion of the applicant's business to non-2166 defense-related industrial or commercial activity, or to create a new 2167 non-defense-related industrial or commercial business. For purposes of 2168 this section, a defense-dependent business is any business that derives 2169 [over] more than fifty per cent of its gross income, generated from 2170 operations within the state, from prime defense contracts or from 2171 subcontracts entered into in connection with prime defense contracts, a 2172 significant portion of whose facilities and equipment are designed 2173 specifically for defense production and cannot be converted to 2174 nondefense uses without substantial investment.
- (c) All financial and credit information and all trade secrets contained in any application for financial aid submitted to the [corporation] <u>authority</u> or obtained by the [corporation] <u>authority</u> concerning any applicant, project, activity, technology, product or invention shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (a) of section 1-210.
- Sec. 43. Section 32-40a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2183 Any advanced technology center, as defined in section 32-34, as

- 2184 amended by this act, shall be established for purposes of conducting 2185 research characterized by reasonable prospects of stimulating 2186 development of new business and industry utilizing such advanced 2187 technology and augmenting the application of advanced technology 2188 by existing business and industry in the state. [Connecticut 2189 Innovations, Incorporated The Connecticut Economic Innovations 2190 Authority, hereinafter referred to as "the [corporation"] authority" shall 2191 require any applicant for state funding with respect to a proposed 2192 advanced technology center to submit a complete description of the 2193 organization of such center, plans for research and proposed funding 2194 from sources other than the state of Connecticut, subject to the 2195 provisions of section 32-40c, as amended by this act, including but not 2196 limited to the following:
- 2197 (1) The specific technological research to be undertaken and the 2198 proposed business and industry involvement in the development and 2199 application of such research;
 - (2) A detailed description of the organization of such center for administrative and research purposes, including (A) name and qualifications of the person to serve as director of the center and (B) a proposed advisory board for such center which shall include members from the academic institution involved and private business;
 - (3) Proposed arrangements with the [corporation] <u>authority</u>, concerning financial benefits to the state of Connecticut as a result of patents, royalty payments or similar rights developing from research at such center; and
- 2209 (4) Details concerning the organization and content of an annual 2210 report to be submitted to the [corporation] authority by such center 2211 reviewing the progress of research, with the understanding that 2212 funding shall be contingent upon satisfactory performance 2213 evaluations.
- 2214 Sec. 44. Section 32-40b of the general statutes is repealed and the

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- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2216 In approving the application of an advanced technology center, as
- 2217 defined in section 32-34, as amended by this act, for state funding,
- 2218 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic
- 2219 <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall assess scientific, economic, management
- and financial factors, including, but not limited to the following:
- 2221 (1) The likelihood that the research proposal will result in
- 2222 fundamental technological advances transferable to commercial
- 2223 application and the means that the center proposes to make these
- 2224 transfers;
- 2225 (2) The potential of the research proposal to stimulate technological
- 2226 advances in existing businesses, new business creation and long-term
- job growth in Connecticut;
- 2228 (3) Evidence of significant financial commitment by academic and
- 2229 industrial participants and the likelihood that the center will become
- 2230 self-sufficient by the end of the state's financial commitment period;
- 2231 (4) Evidence that the state will receive a financial return
- 2232 commensurate with its investment in the center;
- 2233 (5) The level of representation by all financial participants in the
- 2234 center's proposed management structure;
- 2235 (6) The planned involvement of small businesses and academic
- 2236 institutions in the center's activities;
- 2237 (7) The center's plan to involve minority students and minority-
- 2238 owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2239 (8) The adequacy of the center's proposed mechanisms for
- 2240 evaluating its progress.
- Sec. 45. Section 32-40c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

2243 Funds from the state of Connecticut for purposes of any advanced 2244 technology center, as defined in section 32-34, as amended by this act, 2245 shall not be allotted for such purpose unless documentation, satisfactory to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, 2246 2247 has been submitted to [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the 2248 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority certifying that such 2249 funds are accepted in accordance with a plan of proposed funding for 2250 such advanced technology center during a period of five years, 2251 commencing with the year of the initial state grant for such purpose. 2252 Such proposed funding shall include, in addition to the proposed 2253 amounts from the state of Connecticut, funds from other sources in an 2254 amount not less than the total proposed funds from the state during 2255 such five-year period.

- Sec. 46. Section 32-41a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2258 (a) There is hereby created a "Connecticut Innovations [, 2259 Incorporated Fund". Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by 2260 the State Bond Commission in accordance with [section] sections 32-41 2261 and [section] 32-41b as amended by this act, shall be paid directly to 2262 the Treasurer of the state as agent of the [corporation] Connecticut 2263 Economic Innovations Authority and the Treasurer shall deposit all 2264 such amounts in the Connecticut Innovations [, Incorporated] Fund. 2265 The moneys in said fund shall be paid by checks signed by the 2266 Treasurer of the state or by his deputy appointed pursuant to section 3-2267 12 on requisition of the [executive director of the corporation] the chief 2268 executive officer of the authority or his designee.
 - Any funds or revenues of [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the authority derived from application fees, royalty payments, investment income and loan repayments received by the [corporation] authority in connection with its programs shall be held, administered and invested by the [corporation] authority or deposited with and invested by any institution as may be designated by the

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[corporation] <u>authority</u> at its sole discretion and paid as the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall direct. All moneys in such accounts shall be used and applied to carry out the purposes of the [corporation] <u>authority</u>. The [corporation] <u>authority</u> may make payments from such accounts to the Treasurer of the state for deposit in the Connecticut Innovations [, Incorporated] Fund for use in accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

(c) The moneys in the Connecticut Innovations [, Incorporated] Fund (1) shall be used to carry out the purposes of the [corporation] authority and for the repayment of state bonds in such amounts as may be required by the State Bond Commission pursuant to said section 32-41 and section 32-41b, as amended by this act, and (2) may be used as state matching funds for federal funds available to the state for defense conversion projects or other projects consistent with a defense conversion strategy.

Sec. 47. Section 32-41b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The State Bond Commission shall have power in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20 to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate sixty-one million four hundred forty-five thousand six hundred dollars, to carry out the purposes of this section as follows: (1) Loans for the development and marketing of products in the high technology field within the state, not exceeding thirty-four million dollars; (2) royalty financing for start-up costs and product development costs of high technology products and procedures in the state, not exceeding seven million four hundred forty-five thousand six hundred dollars; and (3) financial aid for biotechnology and other high technology laboratories, facilities and equipment, not exceeding twenty million dollars. Any loans originated under subdivision (1) of this section shall bear interest at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of said section 3-20. The principal and interest of

2307 said bonds shall be payable at such place or places as may be 2308 determined by the State Treasurer and shall bear such date or dates, 2309 mature at such time or times, bear interest at such rate or different or 2310 varying rates, be payable at such time or times, be in such 2311 denominations, be in such form with or without interest coupons 2312 attached, carry such registration and transfer privileges, be payable in 2313 such medium of payment and be subject to such terms of redemption 2314 with or without premium as, irrespective of the provisions of said section 3-20, may be provided by the authorization of the State Bond 2315 2316 Commission or fixed in accordance therewith. The proceeds of the sale 2317 of said bonds, after deducting therefrom all expenses of issuance and 2318 sale, shall be paid to the Connecticut Innovations [, Incorporated] Fund 2319 created under section 32-41a, as amended by this act. When the State 2320 Bond Commission has acted to issue such bonds or a portion thereof, 2321 the Treasurer may, pending the issue of such bonds, issue, in the name 2322 of the state, temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be 2323 received from the sale of such bonds. In issuing the bonds authorized 2324 hereunder, the State Bond Commission may require repayment of such 2325 bonds by the corporation as shall seem desirable consistent with the 2326 purposes of this section and section 32-41a, as amended by this act. 2327 Such terms for repayment may include a forgiveness of interest, a 2328 holiday in the repayment of interest or principal or both.

- 2329 Sec. 48. Section 32-41i of the general statutes is repealed and the 2330 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2331 As used in sections 32-41g to 32-41o, inclusive, as amended by this 2332 act:
- 2333 (1) "Act" means the Technology Deployment Act of 1993;
- 2334 (2) "Advanced available technology" means a technology or process 2335 that can be applied to a manufacturing operation without substantial 2336 modification;
- 2337 (3) "Technology deployment" means (A) activities that assist

- 2339 existing operations, or (B) activities that assist businesses in the
- 2340 development and manufacture of new products derived from
- 2341 advanced available technologies;
- 2342 (4) ["Corporation" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated]
- 2343 "Authority" means the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority
- 2344 <u>established pursuant to section 6 of this act or a subsidiary designated</u>
- 2345 by said authority;
- 2346 (5) "Eligible institution" means an institution within the Connecticut
- 2347 State University System which is operating a technology deployment
- 2348 program on July 1, 1993;
- 2349 (6) "Eligible deployment research consortium" means a multitown,
- 2350 nonprofit coalition which is representative of the business, academic
- 2351 and government communities in an economically distressed area of the
- 2352 state which on or before July 1, 1993, is dependent upon labor
- 2353 intensive, less technologically advanced manufacturing;
- 2354 (7) "Eligible business consortium" means a nonprofit business-led
- 2355 consortium organized for the purpose of technology deployment in the
- 2356 fields of biotechnology, ergonomics, environmental and energy
- 2357 technologies or educational and job training technologies;
- 2358 (8) "Eligible grant recipient" means one or more state institutions of
- 2359 higher education or a nonprofit business-led consortium organized for
- 2360 the purpose of technology deployment in advanced materials, marine
- 2361 sciences, photonics, pharmaceutical and environmental technologies;
- 2362 (9) "Small and medium-sized business" means a manufacturing
- business with fewer than five hundred employees.
- Sec. 49. Section 32-41j of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2365 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2366 (a) There is established a university-based manufacturing

- application center program to be administered by the [corporation] authority for the purpose of promoting technology deployment by linking Connecticut's higher education system with small and medium-sized businesses. During the three-month period beginning on July 1, 1993, the [corporation] authority shall accept applications from eligible institutions in a form and manner prescribed by the [corporation] authority for state funding for the operation of a
- [corporation] <u>authority</u> for state funding for the operation of a manufacturing application center.
- (b) On or before January 1, 1994, the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall review all applications timely received pursuant to this section and shall approve one such application. In approving such application the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall assess scientific and economic factors concerning the proposed manufacturing application center, including but not limited to the following:
- 2381 (1) The eligible institution's experience with manufacturing applications, including computer-integrated manufacturing, computer-aided drafting and design, just-in-time manufacturing and total quality management;
- 2385 (2) The center's plan to provide follow-up employee training to center users;
- 2387 (3) The center's plan to involve urban-based businesses, minority students or minority-owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2389 (4) The adequacy of the center's proposed mechanisms for 2390 evaluating its progress.
- (c) The center's responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, providing training for manufacturing businesses in high performance work practices.
- Sec. 50. Section 32-41k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- 2396 (a) There is established a nonprofit deployment research program to 2397 be administered by the [corporation] authority for the purpose of 2398 identifying emerging advanced available technologies in economically 2399 distressed manufacturing or former manufacturing regions of the state. 2400 During the six-month period beginning on July 1, 1993, the 2401 [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall accept applications from eligible 2402 deployment research consortia in a form and manner prescribed by the 2403 [corporation] authority for state funding for technology deployment 2404 research.
- 2405 (b) On or before July 1, 1994, the [corporation] authority shall review all applications timely received pursuant to this section and 2406 2407 shall approve one such application. In approving such application the 2408 [corporation] authority shall assess scientific and economic factors 2409 concerning the proposed technology deployment research, including 2410 but not limited to the following:
- (1) The extent to which the research will identify advanced available 2411 2412 technologies for future deployment;
- 2413 The extent to which the research enhances existing 2414 manufacturing in Connecticut industry;
- 2415 (3) The eligible research consortium's plan to involve minority 2416 students or minority owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2417 (4) The adequacy of the eligible research consortium's proposed mechanisms for evaluating its progress. 2418
- 2419 (c) The center's responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, 2420 providing training for businesses in high performance work practices.
- 2421 Sec. 51. Section 32-41*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the 2422 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2423 (a) There is established a Connecticut energy and environmental 2424 technologies deployment center program to be administered by the

- 2426 business consortium for technology deployment in two critical
- 2427 technologies where the state possesses unique scientific and human
- 2428 resources. During the three-month period beginning on July 1, 1993,
- 2429 the [corporation] authority shall accept applications from eligible
- 2430 business consortia in a form and manner prescribed by the
- [corporation] <u>authority</u> for state funding for the operation of an energy
- 2432 and environmental technologies application center.
- 2433 (b) On or before January 1, 1994, the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall
- 2434 review all applications timely received pursuant to this section and
- shall approve one such application. In approving such application the
- 2436 [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall assess scientific and economic factors
- 2437 concerning the proposed Connecticut energy and environmental
- 2438 technologies deployment center, including but not limited to the
- 2439 following:
- 2440 (1) Participation in the center by multiple private enterprises
- 2441 including defense and non-defense-based firms with an expertise in
- 2442 environmental and energy technologies;
- 2443 (2) Participation in the center by more than one public or private
- institution of higher education;
- 2445 (3) The center's plan to involve minority students or minority-
- 2446 owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2447 (4) The adequacy of the center's proposed mechanisms for
- 2448 evaluating its progress.
- Sec. 52. Section 32-41m of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2450 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2451 (a) There is established a Connecticut educational and job training
- 2452 technologies deployment center program to be administered by the
- 2453 [corporation] authority for the purpose of promoting a nonprofit
- 2454 business-led consortium for technology deployment in a critical

- 2456 resources. During the three-month period beginning on July 1, 1993,
- 2457 the [corporation] authority shall accept applications from eligible
- 2458 business consortia in a form and manner prescribed by the
- 2459 [corporation] authority for state funding for the operation of an
- 2460 educational and job training technologies deployment center.
- 2461 (b) On or before January 1, 1994, the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall
- 2462 review all applications timely received pursuant to this section and
- shall approve one such application. In approving such application the
- 2464 [corporation] authority shall assess scientific and economic factors
- 2465 concerning the proposed Connecticut educational and job training
- 2466 technologies deployment center, including but not limited to the
- 2467 following:
- 2468 (1) The center's plan to provide educational and job training
- 2469 technologies to industry, the state's public schools, and state agencies;
- 2470 (2) The center's plan to deploy educational and job training
- 2471 software, hardware and state of the art telecommunications
- 2472 technologies;
- 2473 (3) The center's plan to involve minority students or minority-
- 2474 owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2475 (4) The adequacy of the center's proposed mechanisms for
- 2476 evaluating its progress.
- Sec. 53. Section 32-41n of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2478 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2479 (a) There is established a critical technologies grant program to be
- 2480 administered by the [corporation] authority for the purpose of
- 2481 promoting technology deployment in advanced materials, marine
- 2482 sciences, photonics, pharmaceutical and environmental technologies.
- 2483 During the twelve-month period beginning on July 1, 1993, the
- 2484 [corporation] authority shall accept applications from eligible grant

- recipients in a form and manner prescribed by the [corporation] authority for state grants for the purpose of promoting technology deployment in such technologies.
 - (b) On or before January 1, 1995, the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall review all applications timely received pursuant to this section, may approve such applications and provide approved grant recipients such financial assistance as it may determine will promote technology deployment in advanced materials, marine sciences, photonics, pharmaceutical and environmental technologies. In approving such application the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall assess scientific and economic factors concerning the uses of the proposed grant, including but not limited to the following:
 - (1) The formal participation in the program proposed by businesses actively engaged in the commercial use of advanced materials, marine sciences, photonics, pharmaceutical and environmental technologies;
- 2500 (2) The likelihood that the program proposed will result in 2501 substantial and timely deployment of advanced available technologies 2502 in one or more of the following: Advanced materials, marine sciences, 2503 photonics, pharmaceutical and environmental technologies;
- 2504 (3) The proposal's plan to involve minority students or minority-2505 owned businesses in its activities; and
- 2506 (4) The adequacy of the program's mechanisms for evaluating its progress.
- Sec. 54. Section 32-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate five million five hundred thousand dollars.

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(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the [corporation] <u>authority</u> as follows: (1) Three million dollars for the program established in section 32-41j, as amended by this act; (2) five hundred thousand dollars for the program established in section 32-41k, as amended by this act; (3) one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars for the program established and for the eligible business consortium approved in section 32-41l, as amended by this act; and (4) seven hundred fifty thousand dollars for the program established and for the eligible business consortium approved in section 32-41m, as amended by this act.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

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- 2549 Sec. 55. Section 32-41p of the general statutes is repealed and the 2550 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2551 (a) There is established a workplace center of excellence program to 2552 be administered by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the 2553 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the purpose of 2554 developing and deploying ergonomic technology solutions and 2555 knowledge. During the three-month period beginning on July 1, 1994, 2556 the [corporation] authority shall accept applications from eligible 2557 institutions in a form and manner prescribed by the [corporation] 2558 authority for state funding for the establishment and operation of a 2559 workplace center of excellence.
 - (b) On or before January 1, 1995, the [corporation] authority shall review all applications timely received pursuant to this section, approve one such application and provide the approved institution with such financial assistance as the [corporation] authority may determine will promote the purposes of this section. In approving such application the [corporation] authority shall assess scientific and economic factors concerning the proposed center, including but not limited to, the following:
 - (1) The formal participation in, and financial support of, the center by employers, insurers, and enterprises actively engaged in developing and deploying ergonomics solutions and related activities;
- 2571 (2) The likelihood that the center will result in substantial and 2572 timely deployment of advanced technology solutions to existing 2573 businesses in the state;
- 2574 (3) The center's plan to involve employers, labor, institutions of 2575 higher education and other interested parties in its decision-making;
- 2576 (4) The adequacy of the center's financial plan, including the 2577 matching of any state grant funds to implement specific projects with 2578 at least an equal amount of funding from private sources;

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- 2579 (5) The center's plan to involve urban residents and urban-based 2580 businesses; and
- 2581 (6) The adequacy of the center's mechanisms for evaluating its progress.
- Sec. 56. Section 32-41q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) As used in this section "critical industry" means an industry that uses emerging technologies, including but not limited to, fuel cell technology, to develop and manufacture nondefense products for future sale, has the potential to create or retain jobs in the state and is critical to the state economy.
 - (b) There is established an account to be known as the critical industries development account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys invested pursuant to the provisions of this section. [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may use funds from the account to provide loans, loan guarantees, interest rate subsidies and other forms of loan assistance to customers of businesses in critical industries which businesses are based in the state. [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may solicit and receive funds from any public and private sources for the program. Such funds may include, without limitation, federal funds, state bond proceeds, private venture capital and investments by persons, firms or corporations. Private capital investments may be made either in the account as a whole or in one or more individual technologies or projects.
 - (c) No product may receive assistance under this section unless its manufacturer agrees to enter into a contract to: (1) Carry out a specified percentage of the development and manufacturing work for the product in the state; and (2) when subcontracting is required, to

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- 2610 conduct a specified percentage of such work with companies based in
- 2611 the state. [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut
- 2612 Economic Innovations Authority shall determine such percentage for
- 2613 the purposes of this program.
- 2614 (d) Any person who, or firm or corporation which, invests funds in
- 2615 the critical industries development account pursuant to this section
- 2616 shall receive a portion of the interest paid and principal repayment by
- 2617 the recipient of the loan in proportion to the ratio of the amount of the
- 2618 investment of such person, firm or corporation to the total loan
- 2619 amount.
- 2620 (e) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
- 2621 may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54
- 2622 to carry out the purposes of this section.
- 2623 Sec. 57. Section 32-41s of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2624 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2625 (a) As used in this section:
- 2626 (1) "Eligible business" means a business which (A) has not more
- 2627 than three hundred employees at any time during the preceding
- 2628 twelve months, and (B) is engaged in biotechnology, pharmaceutical or
- 2629 photonics research, development or production in the state; and
- 2630 (2) "Eligible commercial property" means (A) real or personal
- property which an eligible business has (i) owned or leased and (ii) 2631
- 2632 utilized at all times during the preceding twelve months, or (B) real
- 2633 property which the Commissioner of Economic and Community
- 2634 Development or [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated]
- 2635 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority has certified as newly
- 2636 constructed or substantially renovated and expanded primarily for
- 2637 occupancy by one or more eligible businesses.
- 2638 (b) On and after July 1, 1997, eligible businesses and eligible
- 2639 commercial property located in any municipality which has (1) a major

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- 2641 or photonics, and (2) an enterprise zone, shall be entitled to the same
- 2642 benefits, subject to the same conditions, under the general statutes for
- 2643 which businesses located in an enterprise zone qualify.
- 2644 (c) [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut 2645 Economic Innovations Authority may provide lease guarantees or other financial aid for facilities, improvements and equipment, to 2646
- 2647 benefit any eligible business [which is] unable to secure financing for
- 2648 such items on commercially reasonable terms.
- 2649 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut
- 2650 Economic Innovations Authority may recommend regulations to carry
- 2651 out the purposes of this section, which the Commissioner of Economic
- 2652 and Community Development shall adopt in accordance with chapter
- 2653 54.
- 2654 (e) [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] <u>The Connecticut</u>
- 2655 Economic Innovations Authority shall evaluate the feasibility of
- 2656 establishing a bio-processing facility within this state. If determined to
- 2657 be feasible, [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut
- 2658 Economic Innovations Authority shall facilitate the formation of a
- 2659 business consortium, in which it may participate, to launch and
- 2660 operate such facility.
- 2661 Sec. 58. Section 32-41t of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2662 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2663 As used in this section and section 32-41u, as amended by this act:
- 2664 (1) ["Corporation" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated as
- 2665 created under section 32-35] "Authority" means the Connecticut
- 2666 Economic Innovations Authority; and
- 2667 (2) "Eligible participant" means a member of the faculty or a
- researcher engaged in applied research and development at any 2668
- 2669 Connecticut college or university that agrees to participate in a high

- Sec. 59. Section 32-41u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2674 (a) There is established a high technology research and development 2675 program to be administered by the [corporation] authority for the 2676 purpose of promoting collaboration between businesses and colleges 2677 and universities in this state in advanced materials, aerospace, 2678 bioscience, energy and environmental information systems, 2679 technology, applied optics, microelectronics and other high technology 2680 fields. The [corporation] authority may accept applications to the 2681 program from eligible participants in a form and manner prescribed by 2682 the [corporation] authority.
- 2683 (b) In approving any application the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall assess the collaborative nature of the proposal as well as scientific and economic factors, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (1) The formal participation in the proposal by businesses actively engaged in the commercial use of advanced materials, aerospace, bioscience, energy and environmental systems, information technology, applied optics, microelectronics and other high technology fields;
- 2691 (2) The likelihood that a proposal will result in the development or 2692 commercialization of high technology products or processes in this 2693 state; and
- 2694 (3) The likelihood that a proposal will result in long-term, sustainable economic growth for this state.
- (c) The [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall provide financial aid, as defined in subdivision (4) of section 32-34, as amended by this act, to eligible participants whose proposals have been approved by the [corporation] <u>authority</u> as provided in subsections (a) and (b) of this

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- (d) The [corporation] <u>authority</u> may establish other programs, including financial programs, in order to attract and retain residents with postsecondary education in science, engineering, mathematics and other disciplines that are essential or advisable to the development and application of technology.
- 2706 Sec. 60. Section 32-43 of the general statutes is repealed and the 2707 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2708 The state of Connecticut does hereby pledge to and agree with any 2709 person with whom the [corporation] authority may enter into contracts 2710 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter that the state will not limit or 2711 alter the rights hereby vested in the [corporation] authority until such 2712 contracts and the obligations thereunder are fully met and performed 2713 on the part of the [corporation] authority, provided nothing herein 2714 contained shall preclude such limitation or alteration if adequate 2715 provision shall be made by law for the protection of such persons 2716 entering into contracts with the [corporation] authority.
- 2717 Sec. 61. Section 32-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the 2718 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2719 (a) Neither the directors of [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] 2720 the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority nor any person 2721 acting on behalf of said [corporation] authority executing any notes, 2722 bonds, contracts, agreements or other obligations issued pursuant to 2723 this chapter shall be liable personally on such notes, bonds, contracts, 2724 agreements or obligations, or be subject to any personal liability or 2725 accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.
 - (b) No director shall be personally liable for damage or injury, not wanton or wilful, caused in the performance of his duties and within the scope of his employment. Any person having a complaint for such damage or injury shall present it as a claim against the state under the

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- 2730 provisions of chapter 53.
- Sec. 62. Section 32-47a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

2733 Not later than January first in each year, [Connecticut Innovations, 2734 Incorporated the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall 2735 submit a business plan containing a summary of its projected 2736 operations for the year to the joint standing committees of the General 2737 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the Department of 2738 Economic and Community Development, appropriations and capital 2739 bonding. Not later than November first, annually, the [corporation] 2740 authority shall submit a report to the Commissioner of Economic and 2741 Community Development, the Auditors of Public Accounts and said 2742 joint standing committees, which shall include the following 2743 information with respect to new and outstanding financial assistance 2744 provided by the [corporation] authority during the twelve-month 2745 period ending on June thirtieth next preceding the date of the report 2746 for each financial assistance program administered by 2747 [corporation] <u>authority</u>: (1) A list of the names, addresses and locations 2748 of all recipients of such assistance, (2) for each such recipient: (A) The 2749 business activities, (B) the Standard Industrial Classification Manual 2750 codes, (C) the gross revenues during the recipient's most recent fiscal 2751 year, (D) the number of employees at the time of application, (E) 2752 whether the recipient is a minority or woman-owned business, (F) a 2753 summary of the terms and conditions for the assistance, including the 2754 type and amount of state financial assistance, job creation or retention 2755 requirements, and anticipated wage rates, and (G) the amount of 2756 investments from private and other nonstate sources that have been 2757 leveraged by the assistance, (3) the economic benefit criteria used in 2758 determining which applications have been approved or disapproved, 2759 and (4) for each recipient of assistance on or after July 1, 1991, a 2760 comparison between the number of jobs to be created, the number of 2761 jobs to be retained and the average wage rates for each such category 2762 of jobs, as projected in the recipient's application, versus the actual

- Sec. 63. Section 10-395 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- There is established an account within the General Fund to be known as the ["Connecticut Commission on Culture] "Culture and Tourism account". The account shall contain all moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, including moneys received pursuant to section 10-398.
- Sec. 64. Section 10-399 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2784 (a) As used in this section: "Visitor welcome center" means the 2785 welcome centers, visitor centers and tourist information centers 2786 located in West Willington, Greenwich, Danbury, Darien, North 2787 Stonington and Westbrook, which have been established to distribute 2788 information to persons traveling in the state for the purpose of 2789 influencing such persons' level of satisfaction with the state and 2790 expenditures in the state and their planning for present and future 2791 trips to the state.
- (b) The following measures shall be implemented to enhance the operation of visitor welcome centers:

- (1) Each center shall make available space for listing events and promoting attractions, by invitation to the Connecticut tourism industry, including tourism districts, chambers of commerce and any other tourism entities involved in Connecticut tourism promotion;
- (2) The [Commission on Culture and Tourism, established under section 10-392] <u>Department of Economic and Community</u>
 2800 <u>Development</u>, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, shall develop plans for (A) consistent signage for the visitor welcome centers, and (B) highway signage regulations for privately operated centers;
 - (3) The Department of Transportation and the [commission] Department of Economic and Community Development shall establish an "Adopt A Visitor Welcome Center" program, under which local civic organizations may provide maintenance, gardening, including wildflowers, and complimentary refreshments or any other type of service at a visitor welcome center to enhance the operation of the center;
 - (4) The [commission] Department of Economic and Community Development shall place a full-time year-round supervisor and a part-time assistant supervisor at the Danbury, Darien, North Stonington and West Willington centers. The responsibilities of each supervisor shall include, but not be limited to: (A) Maintaining a sufficient inventory of up-to-date brochures for dissemination to visitors, (B) scheduling staff so as to assure coverage at all times, (C) training staff, (D) compiling and maintaining statistics on center usage, (E) serving as liaison between the commission, the Department of Transportation, the tourism district in which the center is located and businesses in such district, (F) maintaining quality tourism services, (G) rotating displays, (H) evaluating staff, (I) problem-solving, and (J) computing travel reimbursements for volunteer staff;
- 2824 (5) Subject to available funds, the commission shall place a seasonal full-time supervisor and a seasonal part-time assistant supervisor at

- 2827 discontinue staffing at the Middletown, Plainfield and Wallingford
- 2828 centers, and shall, in conjunction with the tourism industry, seek
- 2829 contract workers to provide tourism services at the Westbrook center
- 2830 when not staffed by the state;
- 2831 (6) Subject to available funds, the [commission] <u>Department of</u>
- 2832 <u>Economic and Community Development</u>, in conjunction with the
- 2833 tourism industry, shall develop and implement initial staff training
- and conduct periodic training of full-time and part-time supervisors.
- Sec. 65. Section 10-402 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2836 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2837 (a) For purposes of this section the following terms have the
- 2838 following meanings:
- 2839 (1) "Work of art" means any work of visual art, including but not
- 2840 limited to, a drawing, painting, sculpture, mosaic, photograph, work of
- 2841 calligraphy or work of graphic art or mixed media;
- 2842 (2) "Connecticut artists" means artists born in Connecticut, artists
- 2843 who have worked in or received a portion of their training in
- 2844 Connecticut, or artists living in Connecticut at the time of the purchase
- 2845 of their works of art.
- 2846 (b) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,
- 2847 established under section 10-392, Department of Economic and
- 2848 Community Development may establish and administer a state art
- 2849 collection.
- 2850 (c) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,
- 2851 established under section 10-392, Department of Economic and
- 2852 Community Development shall establish policies and procedures with
- 2853 respect to the activities of the art collection and perform every other
- 2854 matter and thing requisite to the proper management, maintenance,
- support and control of the Connecticut art collection.

- (e) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, established under section 10-392,] <u>Department of Economic and Community Development</u> may apply for and receive aid or grants from individuals, private artists, state sources, private foundations, local arts organizations and the federal government for the state art collection.
- Sec. 66. Section 10-403 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, established under section 10-392,] Department of Economic and Community Development is designated as the state agency for the reception and disbursement of federal, state and private moneys or other property [made available on or after July 1, 1965,] for the purpose of fostering the arts within the authority of the [commission] department, in accordance with the standard state fiscal procedures.
- Sec. 67. Section 10-404 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2876 Any person otherwise qualifying for a loan or grant made by the 2877 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, established under 2878 section 10-392, Department of Economic and Community 2879 Development, under the provisions of this chapter, shall not be 2880 disqualified by reason of being under the age of eighteen years and for 2881 the purpose of applying for, receiving and repaying such a loan, or 2882 entering into a contract concerning such loan or grant, any such person 2883 shall be deemed to have full legal capacity to act and shall have all the 2884 rights, powers, privileges and obligations of a person of full age, with 2885 respect thereto.

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- Sec. 68. Section 10-405 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- For purposes of this section and sections 10-406 to 10-408, inclusive, as amended by this act:
- 2890 (1) "Arts organization" means a nonprofit organization in the state 2891 which is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the 2892 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended, the 2893 primary purpose of which is to create, perform, present or otherwise 2894 promote the visual, performing or literary arts in the state, but shall 2895 not mean an organization, the primary purpose of which is 2896 instructional, or an organization, the primary purpose of which is to 2897 receive contributions for and provide funding to arts organizations;
- [(2) "Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, established under section 10-392;]
- 2900 [(3)] (2) "Contribution" means cash, negotiable securities or other 2901 gifts of similar liquidity;
- [(4)] (3) "Donor" means a private organization, the primary purpose of which is to receive contributions for and provide funding to arts organizations, a private foundation or private corporation, partnership, single proprietorship or association or person making a contribution to an arts organization;
- [(5)] (4) "Fiscal year" means a period of twelve calendar months as determined by the arts organization's bylaws.
- Sec. 69. Section 10-406 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- There is created a "Connecticut Arts Endowment Fund". The proceeds of any bonds issued for the purposes of sections 10-405 to 10-408, inclusive, as amended by this act, shall be deposited in said fund. The State Treasurer shall invest the proceeds of the fund and the

- 2915 investment earnings shall be credited to and become part of the fund.
- 2916 Annually, on or before September first, the Treasurer shall notify the
- 2917 [commission] commissioner of the total amount of investment earnings
- 2918 of the fund for the prior fiscal year and such amount shall be available
- 2919 to the [commission] Commissioner of Economic and Community
- 2920 Development for payments pursuant to sections 10-407 and 10-408, as
- 2921 amended by this act. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of
- 2922 each fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the succeeding
- 2923 fiscal year.
- 2924 Sec. 70. Section 10-408 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2925 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2926 Annually, on or before December fifteenth, an arts organization may
- 2927 apply to the [commission] Commissioner of Economic and
- 2928 <u>Community Development</u> for a state matching grant, provided the
- 2929 organization includes in its application a copy of its Internal Revenue
- 2930 Service return of organization exempt from income tax form, or any
- 2931 replacement form adopted by the Internal Revenue Service, showing
- 2932 the total amount of contributions received from donors for the arts
- 2933 organization's two most recently completed fiscal years. On or before
- 2934 the January fifteenth next following, the [commission] commissioner
- 2935 shall certify to the Treasurer an amount equal to the total matching
- grants as calculated pursuant to section 10-407. Thereafter, the 2936 2937
- Treasurer shall make available such amount to the [commission]
- 2938 commissioner and the [commission] commissioner shall, on or before
- 2939 April fifteenth, pay to each arts organization a grant as calculated
- 2940 pursuant to said section 10-407.
- 2941 Sec. 71. Section 10-409 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2942 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 2943 (a) With respect to historical preservation, there is established
- 2944 within the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,
- 2945 established under section 10-392,] Department of Economic and
- 2946 Community Development an Historic Preservation Council. The

archaeological research and development including surveys, excavation, scientific recording, interpretation and publication of the historical, architectural, archaeological and cultural resources of the state; (9) cooperate with promotional, patriotic, educational and research groups and associations, with local, state and national historical societies, associations and commissions, with agencies of the state and its political subdivisions and with the federal government, in promoting and publicizing the historical heritage of Connecticut; (10) formulate standards and criteria to guide the several municipalities in the evaluation, delineation and establishment of historic districts; (11) cooperate with the State Building Inspector, the Codes and Standards Committee and other building officials and render advisory opinions and prepare documentation regarding the application of the State Building Code to historic structures and landmarks if requested by owners of historic structures and landmarks, the State Building Inspector, the Codes and Standards Committee or other building officials; (12) review planned state and federal actions to determine their impact on historic structures and landmarks; (13) operate the Henry Whitfield House of Guilford, otherwise known as the Old Stone House, as a state historical museum and, in its discretion, charge a fee for admission to said museum and account for and deposit the same as provided in section 4-32; (14) provide technical and financial assistance to carry out the purposes of this section and sections 10-410 to 10-416, inclusive, as amended by this act; (15) adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 for the preservation of sacred sites and archaeological sites; and (16) inventory state lands to identify sacred sites and archaeological sites. The commission shall study the feasibility of establishing a state museum of Connecticut history at an appropriate existing facility. The Historic Preservation Council shall (A) review and approve or disapprove requests by owners of historic properties on which the [commission] state holds preservation easements to perform rehabilitation work on sacred sites and archaeological sites; (B) request the assistance of the Attorney General to prevent the unreasonable destruction of historic properties pursuant

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- to the provisions of section 22a-19a; and (C) place and maintain suitable markers, memorials or monuments to designate sites or places found to have historic significance. The council shall meet monthly. The Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation may provide technical assistance to the council.
- 3020 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or section 1-210, the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of 3021 3022 Economic and Community Development may withhold from 3023 disclosure to the public information relating to the location of 3024 archaeological sites under consideration for listing by the commission 3025 or those listed on the National Register of Historic Places or the state 3026 register of historic places whenever the [commission] department 3027 determines that disclosure of specific information would create a risk 3028 of destruction or harm to such sites. The provisions of this subsection 3029 shall not apply to any such site unless the person who reported or 3030 discovered such site has submitted a written statement to the 3031 [commission] department requesting that no disclosure be made. Upon 3032 receipt of such statement, the [commission] department may withhold 3033 such information from disclosure until the July first next succeeding 3034 such receipt. Such person may request that a period of nondisclosure 3035 be extended by submitting such statements prior to July first of any 3036 year.
- 3037 (c) The Historic Preservation Council [of the Connecticut 3038 Commission on Culture and Tourism] shall develop a model ballot 3039 form to be mailed by clerks of municipalities on the question of 3040 creation of historic districts or districts as provided for in section 7-3041 147a to 7-147k, inclusive.
- Sec. 72. Section 10-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- For the purposes of sections 10-409 to 10-415, inclusive, <u>as amended</u>

 by this act, ["commission"] <u>"department"</u> means the [Connecticut

 Commission on Culture and Tourism established under section 10-392]

- Sec. 73. Section 10-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3067 (a) Any municipality or private organization may acquire, relocate, 3068 restore, preserve and maintain historic structures and landmarks and 3069 may receive funds from the state and federal governments for such 3070 purposes. Grants-in-aid may be made to owners of historic structures 3071 or landmarks in an amount not to exceed fifty per cent of the 3072 nonfederal share of the total cost of such acquisition, relocation, 3073 historic preservation and restoration. Grants-in-aid shall be made 3074 through an assistance agreement signed by the owner. Subsequent to 3075 the execution of any such assistance agreement, advances of funds 3076 may be made by the commission to the owner of such an historic 3077 structure or landmark.
- 3078 (b) Before executing any such assistance agreement under sections

- 3108 (c) Federal grants-in-aid shall be administered by the [commission] 3109 department in accordance with all federal requirements.
- 3110 (d) The [commission] department shall adopt regulations pursuant 3111 to chapter 54 for its guidance before making such grants-in-aid or

- advances. Such regulations shall, among other things, require that the commission determine that the historic structure or landmark to be acquired, relocated or restored is an authentic historic structure or landmark as identified in the state register of historic places.
- Sec. 74. Section 10-412 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) The [commission] department may provide an appropriate 3118 3119 plaque or marker at a cost, to be determined by the [commission] 3120 department, to the recipient for attachment to an historic structure or 3121 landmark identifying it as a Connecticut historical landmark within 3122 the criteria adopted by the [commission] department and as identified 3123 through the state register of historic places, if the owner agrees to 3124 display such plaque or marker in a manner satisfactory to the 3125 [commission] <u>department</u>. Any such plaque or marker may be 3126 repossessed by the [commission] department if the historic structure or 3127 landmark is not maintained in a manner satisfactory to the 3128 [commission] department.
- 3129 (b) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, 3130 established under section 10-392] Department of Economic and 3131 Community Development, in consultation with the Amistad 3132 Committee, Inc., New Haven, shall establish a Freedom Trail and a 3133 program to recognize, document and mark sites in this state that are 3134 associated with the history and movement towards freedom of its 3135 African-American citizens, the Underground Railroad and the 3136 abolition of slavery. The [commission] department and the Amistad 3137 Committee, Incorporated, of New Haven shall designate and mark the 3138 sites of the Freedom Trail. The Amistad Committee, Inc., of New 3139 Haven shall be responsible for the coordination and organization of 3140 the "September Freedom Trail Month". The [commission] department 3141 shall establish a program to publicize the existence of the Freedom 3142 Trail and shall publish a brochure which indicates the location and 3143 history of the sites.

Sec. 75. Section 10-413 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

3146 The [commission] department may, subject to the provisions of sections 4b-1, 4b-21 and 4b-22, using such funds as may be 3147 3148 appropriated to it or available from any other source, acquire by gift, 3149 grant, bequest, devise, lease, purchase or otherwise historic structures 3150 or landmarks, including such adjacent land as may be necessary for the 3151 comfort and safety of the visiting public, which the [commission] 3152 department determines to be of national or state historical importance 3153 and to be of such concern to the public at large that they should be 3154 held forever in good condition for visitation by the public and for the 3155 protection of the heritages of the people of this state and nation. The 3156 [commission] department may restore, maintain and operate, or may 3157 lease to private organizations or municipalities for the purpose of 3158 restoring, maintaining and operating, such properties in such a 3159 condition as to render them suitable for public visitation and to inform 3160 the public of the historic event or circumstance connected therewith. 3161 [The commission] Subject to the availability of funds, the department 3162 may charge reasonable visitation or special event fees, and operate or 3163 contract for the operation of gift shops at such properties and use 3164 funds received to help defray the cost of maintenance and operation of 3165 such properties and to replenish stock. The [commission] department 3166 may cooperate with the Department of Environmental Protection and 3167 any other appropriate municipal, state or federal agency or private 3168 organization in carrying out functions under this section and may 3169 enter into agreements for such purposes.

Sec. 76. Section 10-414 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The [commission] <u>department</u> may place and maintain suitable markers, memorials or monuments to designate sites or places found to have historic significance.

Sec. 77. Section 10-415 of the general statutes is repealed and the

- 3176 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3177 (a) In making any grants-in-aid or providing any plaques or 3178 markers or making any direct expenditures for purposes of acquisition, 3179 relocation, restoration, maintenance or operation under sections 10-410 3180 to 10-414, inclusive, as amended by this act, and this section the [commission] department shall utilize any programs of the federal 3181 3182 government in concert with its actions so as to reduce the amount of 3183 state or local expenditures hereunder. The state, acting through the 3184 [commission] department, and any municipality may receive from the 3185 federal government any financial or technical assistance which may be 3186 available to it for the purpose of acquisition, historic preservation or 3187 operation of historic structures or landmarks and may also receive 3188 from any source gifts, devises, bequests or legacies.
- 3189 (b) The [commission] <u>department</u> may enter into and carry out 3190 contracts with the federal government or any agency thereof under 3191 which said government or agency grants financial or other assistance 3192 to the [commission] department to further the purposes of sections 10-3193 409 to 10-416, inclusive, as amended by this act. The [commission] 3194 department may agree to and comply with any reasonable conditions 3195 not inconsistent with state law which are imposed on such grants. The 3196 [commission] department may further enter into and carry out 3197 contracts with municipalities or their agencies and with any private 3198 party to disburse federal funds to further the purpose of sections 10-3199 409 to 10-416, inclusive, as amended by this act.
- Sec. 78. Section 10-416 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3202 (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the 3203 following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another 3204 meaning:
- 3205 (1) ["Commission"] <u>"Department"</u> means the [Connecticut 3206 Commission on Culture and Tourism established under section 10-392]

3207 Department of Economic and Community Development;

- 3208 (2) "Historic home" means a building that: (A) Will contain one-to-3209 four dwelling units of which at least one unit will be occupied as the 3210 principal residence of the owner for not less than five years following 3211 the completion of rehabilitation work, (B) is located in a targeted area, 3212 and (C) is (i) listed individually on the National or State Register of 3213 Historic Places, or (ii) located in a district listed on the National or 3214 State Register of Historic Places, and has been certified by the 3215 commission as contributing to the historic character of such district;
- 3216 (3) "Nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation 3217 incorporated pursuant to chapter 602 or any predecessor statutes 3218 thereto, having as one of its purposes the construction, rehabilitation, 3219 ownership or operation of housing and having articles of incorporation 3220 approved by the Commissioner of Economic and Community 3221 Development in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to 3222 section 8-79a or 8-84;
 - (4) "Owner" means any taxpayer filing a state of Connecticut tax return who possesses title to an historic home, or prospective title to an historic home in the form of a purchase agreement or option to purchase, or a nonprofit corporation that possesses such title or prospective title;
- (5) "Targeted area" means: (A) A federally designated "qualified census tract" in which seventy per cent or more of the families have a median income of eighty per cent or less of the state-wide median family income, (B) a state designated and federally approved area of chronic economic distress, or (C) an urban and regional center as identified in the Connecticut Conservation and Development Policies Plan;
- 3235 (6) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means any costs incurred 3236 for the physical construction involved in the rehabilitation of an 3237 historic home, but excludes: (A) The owner's personal labor, (B) the

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- (7) "Rehabilitation plan" means any construction plans and specifications for the proposed rehabilitation of an historic home in sufficient detail to enable the [commission] <u>department</u> to evaluate compliance with the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section; and
- (8) "Occupancy period" means a period of five years during which one or more owners occupy an historic home as their primary residence. The occupancy period begins on the date the tax credit voucher is issued by the [commission] department.
- (b) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources, requirements and purposes of this section for owners rehabilitating historic homes or taxpayers making contributions to qualified rehabilitation expenditures. For tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, any owner shall be eligible for a tax credit voucher in an amount equal to thirty per cent of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures.
- (c) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall develop standards for the approval of rehabilitation of historic homes for which a tax credit voucher is sought. Such standards shall take into account whether the rehabilitation of an historic home will preserve the historic character of the building.
- 3267 (d) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall, in consultation with the 3268 Commissioner of Revenue Services, adopt regulations in accordance

with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

- (e) Prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on an historic home, the owner shall submit a rehabilitation plan to the [commission] department for a determination of whether such rehabilitation work meets the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section and shall also submit to the [commission] department an estimate of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures.
- (f) If the [commission] <u>department</u> certifies that the rehabilitation plan conforms to the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, the [commission] <u>department</u> shall reserve for the benefit of the owner an allocation for a tax credit equivalent to thirty per cent of the projected qualified rehabilitation expenditures.
- (g) Following the completion of rehabilitation of an historic home, the owner shall notify the [commission] department that such rehabilitation has been completed. The owner shall provide the [commission] department with documentation of work performed on the historic home and shall certify the cost incurred in rehabilitating the home. The [commission] department shall review such rehabilitation and verify its compliance with the rehabilitation plan. Following such verification, the [commission] department shall issue a tax credit voucher to either the owner rehabilitating the historic home or to the taxpayer named by the owner as contributing to the rehabilitation. The tax credit voucher shall be in an amount equivalent to the lesser of the tax credit reserved upon certification of the rehabilitation plan under the provisions of subsection (f) of this section or thirty per cent of the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures. In order to obtain a credit against any state tax due that is specified in subsections (j) to (m), inclusive, of this section, the holder of the tax credit voucher shall file the voucher with the holder's state tax return.
- 3300 (h) Before the [commission] department issues a tax credit voucher,

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- (i) The owner of an historic home shall not be eligible for a tax credit voucher under subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, unless the owner incurs qualified rehabilitation expenditures exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.
- (j) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a tax credit to a taxpayer holding the tax credit voucher issued under subsections (e) to (i), inclusive, of this section against any tax due under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 in the amount specified in the tax credit voucher. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of the voucher to the Commissioner of Revenue Services upon the request of said commissioner.
 - (k) In no event shall a credit allowed under this section exceed thirty thousand dollars per dwelling unit for an historic home.
- 3325 (1) The tax credit issued under subsection (j) of this section shall be taken by the holder of the tax credit voucher in the same tax year in 3327 which the voucher is issued. Any unused portion of such credit may be carried forward to any or all of the four taxable years following the 3329 year in which the tax credit voucher is issued.
- 3330 (m) The aggregate amount of all tax credits which may be reserved 3331 by the [commission] department upon certification of rehabilitation

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- 3334 Sec. 79. Section 10-416a of the general statutes is repealed and the 3335 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3336 (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the 3337 following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another 3338 meaning:
- 3339 ["Commission"] "Department" means the [Connecticut (1)3340 Commission on Culture and Tourism established pursuant to section 3341 10-392] Department of Economic and Community Development;
- (2) "Certified historic structure" means an historic commercial or 3342 3343 industrial property that: (A) Is listed individually on the National or 3344 State Register of Historic Places, or (B) is located in a district listed on 3345 the National or State Register of Historic Places, and has been certified 3346 by the [commission] department as contributing to the historic 3347 character of such district;
- 3348 (3) "Certified rehabilitation" means any rehabilitation of a certified 3349 historic structure for residential use consistent with the historic 3350 character of such property or the district in which the property is 3351 located as determined by regulations adopted by the [commission] 3352 department;
- 3353 (4) "Owner" means any person, firm, limited liability company, 3354 nonprofit or for-profit corporation or other business entity which 3355 possesses title to an historic structure and undertakes the rehabilitation 3356 of such structure:
- 3357 (5) "Placed in service" means that substantial rehabilitation work has 3358 been completed which would allow for issuance of a certificate of 3359 occupancy for the entire building or, in projects completed in phases, 3360 for individual residential units that are an identifiable portion of the 3361 building;

- 3362 (6) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means any costs incurred 3363 for the physical construction involved in the rehabilitation of a
- 3364 certified historic structure for residential use, excluding: (A) The
- owner's personal labor, (B) the cost of a new addition, except as
- 3366 required to comply with any provision of the State Building Code or
- 3367 the State Fire Safety Code, and (C) any nonconstruction cost such as
- architectural fees, legal fees and financing fees;
- 3369 (7) "Rehabilitation plan" means any construction plans and
- 3370 specifications for the proposed rehabilitation of a certified historic
- 3371 structure in sufficient detail for evaluation by compliance with the
- 3372 standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d),
- 3373 inclusive, of this section; and
- 3374 (8) "Substantial rehabilitation" or "substantially rehabilitate" means
- 3375 the qualified rehabilitation expenditures of a certified historic structure
- 3376 that exceed twenty-five per cent of the assessed value of such
- 3377 structure.
- (b) (1) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall administer a system of
- 3379 tax credit vouchers within the resources, requirements and purposes of
- 3380 this section for owners rehabilitating certified historic structures.
- 3381 (2) The credit authorized by this section shall be available in the tax
- year in which the substantially rehabilitated certified historic structure
- 3383 is placed in service. In the case of projects completed in phases, the tax
- 3384 credit shall be prorated to the substantially rehabilitated identifiable
- 3385 portion of the building placed in service. If the tax credit is more than
- 3386 the amount owed by the taxpayer for the year in which the
- 3387 substantially rehabilitated certified historic structure is placed in
- service, the amount that is more than the taxpayer's tax liability may be
- 3389 carried forward and credited against the taxes imposed for the
- 3390 succeeding five years or until the full credit is used, whichever occurs
- 3391 first.
- 3392 (3) Any credits allowed under this section that are provided to

multiple owners of certified historic structures shall be passed through to persons designated as partners, members or owners, pro rata or pursuant to an agreement among such persons designated as partners, members or owners documenting an alternative distribution method without regard to other tax or economic attributes of such entity. Any owner entitled to a credit under this section may assign, transfer or convey the credits, in whole or in part, by sale or otherwise to any individual or entity and such transferee shall be entitled to offset the tax imposed under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 as if such transferee had incurred the qualified rehabilitation expenditure.

- (c) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall develop standards for the approval of rehabilitation of certified historic structures for which a tax credit voucher is sought. Such standards shall take into account whether the rehabilitation of a certified historic structure will preserve the historic character of the building.
- 3408 (d) The [commission] department shall adopt regulations, in 3409 accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. 3410 Such regulations shall include provisions for filing of applications, rating criteria and for timely approval by the [commission] 3412 department.
 - (e) Prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on a certified historic structure, the owner shall submit (1) a rehabilitation plan to the [commission] department for a determination of whether or not such rehabilitation work meets the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, and (2) an estimate of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures. The provisions of this subsection shall not disqualify applications for tax credits for certified historic structures for which rehabilitation commenced but were not placed in service before July 1, 2006.
 - (f) If the [commission] department certifies that the rehabilitation plan conforms to the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, the [commission]

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3425 <u>department</u> shall reserve for the benefit of the owner an allocation for a 3426 tax credit equivalent to twenty-five per cent of the projected qualified 3427 rehabilitation expenditures, not exceeding two million seven hundred 3428 thousand dollars.

- (g) Following the completion of rehabilitation of a certified historic structure, the owner shall notify the [commission] department that such rehabilitation has been completed. The owner shall provide the [commission] department with documentation of work performed on the certified historic structure and shall submit certification of the costs incurred in rehabilitating the certified historic structure. The [commission] department shall review such rehabilitation and verify its compliance with the rehabilitation plan. Following such verification, the [commission] department shall issue a tax credit voucher to the owner rehabilitating the certified historic structure or to the taxpayer named by the owner as contributing to the rehabilitation. The tax credit voucher shall be in an amount equivalent to the lesser of the tax credit reserved upon certification of the rehabilitation plan under the provisions of subsection (f) of this section or twenty-five per cent of the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures not exceeding two million seven hundred thousand dollars. In order to obtain a credit against any state tax due that is specified in subsections (h) to (j), inclusive, of this section, the holder of the tax credit voucher shall file the voucher with the holder's state tax return.
- (h) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a tax credit to a taxpayer holding the tax credit voucher issued under subsections (e) to (i), inclusive, of this section against any tax due under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 in the amount specified in the tax credit voucher. Such taxpayer shall submit the voucher and the corresponding tax return to the Department of Revenue Services.
- (i) The aggregate amount of all tax credits which may be reserved by the [commission] <u>department</u> upon certification of rehabilitation plans under subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section shall not

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- exceed fifteen million dollars in any one fiscal year.
- 3458 (j) The [commission] <u>department</u> may charge an application fee in 3459 an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars to cover the cost of 3460 administering the program established pursuant to this section.
- Sec. 80. Section 4-124w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3463 (a) There is established an Office of Workforce Competitiveness that 3464 shall be within the Office of Policy and Management for administrative 3465 purposes only.
- 3466 (b) The office shall:
- 3467 (1) Be the Governor's principal workforce development policy 3468 advisor;
- 3469 (2) Be the liaison between the Governor and any local, state or 3470 federal organizations and entities with respect to workforce 3471 development matters, including implementation of the Workforce 3472 Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to time amended;
- 3473 (3) Coordinate the workforce development activities of all state agencies;
- 3475 (4) Coordinate the state's implementation of the federal Workforce 3476 Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to time amended, 3477 and advise and assist the Governor with matters related to said act;
 - (5) Coordinate the development and implementation of strategies regarding technology-based talent and innovation among state and quasi-public agencies; [, including the creation of a centralized clearinghouse and technical assistance function at the state level to assist applicants in developing small business innovation research programs in conformity with the federal program established pursuant to the Small Business Research and Development Enhancement Act of

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- 3485 1992, P.L. 102-564, as amended, and other proposals;
- 3486 (6) Establish methods and procedures to ensure the maximum 3487 involvement of members of the public, the legislature and local 3488 officials in workforce development matters, including implementation 3489 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to 3490 time amended;
- 3491 (7) Subject to the provisions of chapter 67, appoint such officials and 3492 other employees as may be necessary for the discharge of the duties of 3493 the office;
- 3494 (8) Enter into such contractual agreements, in accordance with 3495 established procedures, as may be necessary to carry out the 3496 provisions of this section and section 20 of public act 00-192*;
- 3497 (9) Take any other action necessary to carry out the provisions of 3498 this section and section 20 of public act 00-192*;
- 3499 (10) Be the lead state agency for the development of employment 3500 strategies and initiatives required to support and training Connecticut's position in the knowledge economy; and
- 3502 (11) Not later than October 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, submit 3503 a report, with the assistance of the Labor Department, to the Governor 3504 and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having 3505 cognizance of matters relating to education, economic development, 3506 labor and higher education and employment advancement specifying 3507 a forecasted assessment by the Labor Department of workforce 3508 shortages in occupations in this state for the succeeding two and five-3509 year periods. The report shall also include recommendations 3510 concerning (A) methods to generate a sufficient number of workers to meet identified workforce needs, including, but not limited to, 3511 3512 scholarship, school-to-career and internship programs, and (B) 3513 methods secondary and higher education and private industry can use 3514 to address identified workforce needs.

- 3515 (c) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness may call upon any 3516 office, department, board, commission or other agency of the state to 3517 supply such reports, information and assistance as may be necessary 3518 or appropriate in order to carry out the duties and requirements of the 3519 Office for Workforce Competitiveness. Each officer or employee of 3520 such office, department, board, commission or other agency of the 3521 state is authorized and directed to cooperate with the Office of 3522 Workforce Competitiveness and to furnish such reports, information 3523 and assistance.
- 3524 Sec. 81. Section 4-124hh of the general statutes is repealed and the 3525 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide a flexible source of funding for the creation and generation of talent in institutions of higher education and, with appropriate connections to vocationaltechnical schools and other secondary schools, for student outreach and development. Grants pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher education and may be used to:
- 3533 (1) Upgrade instructional laboratories to meet specific industry-3534 standard laboratory and instrumentation skill requirements;
 - (2) Develop new curriculum and certificate and degree programs at the associate, bachelor's, master's and doctorate levels, tied to industry identified needs;
- 3538 (3) Develop seamlessly articulated career development programs in 3539 workforce shortage areas forecasted pursuant to subdivision (9) of 3540 subsection (b) of section 4-124w, as amended by this act, in 3541 collaboration with vocational-technical schools and other secondary 3542 schools and institutions of higher education;
- 3543 (4) Support undergraduate and graduate student research projects 3544 and experimental learning activities; and

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3545	(5) Establish a nanotechnology post-secondary education program
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- (b) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the advancement of research capabilities and research opportunities. Grants pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher education and technology focused organizations and may be used to:
- (1) Recruit eminent faculty in basic and applied research;
- 3555 (2) Leverage federal funding for research centers; and
- 3556 (3) Provide pilot funding for faculty to develop initial research data for the development of larger grant funding proposals and to nonstate 3557 3558 granting entities, such as federal agencies. [; and]
- 3559 [(4) Establish a Connecticut Nanotechnology Collaboration Initiative 3560 to foster industry-university relationships by providing:
- 3561 (A) Discovery grants, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, to 3562 support post-doctorate or graduate students working with industry on 3563 nanotechnology projects under the supervision of faculty members. 3564 Each discovery grant shall be matched with a direct or in-kind 3565 industry grant in the same amount;
- 3566 (B) Collaborative grants, not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand 3567 dollars, to support university research teams working with industry on 3568 collaborative research projects focused on specific application development. Each collaborative grant shall be matched with an 3569 3570 industry grant in the same amount;
- 3571 (C) Prototype grants, not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand 3572 dollars, to enable universities and companies to demonstrate whether 3573 a prototype is manufacturable and functional and the cost effectiveness

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- 3574 of nanotechnology-related applications. Each prototype grant shall be 3575 matched with an industry grant in an amount equal to two dollars for 3576 every one dollar of such prototype grant.]
- 3577 (c) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall, within available 3578 appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the 3579 promotion of collaborative research applications between industry and 3580 institutions of higher education. Grants pursuant to this subsection 3581 shall be awarded to institutions of higher education, technology-3582 focused organizations and business entities and may be used:
 - (1) To improve technology infrastructure by advancing the development of shared use between institutions of higher education and business entities of laboratories and equipment, including, but not limited to, technology purchase, lease and installation, operating and necessary support personnel and maintenance;
 - (2) As matching grants for joint projects between an industry, a technology-focused organization or a university. The office shall structure the matching grants to provide two rounds of funding annually and shall do outreach to companies. The matching grant part of the program shall include, but not be limited to, (A) one-to-one matching grants not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars, with inkind match allowed for small and mid-sized companies, (B) involvement of a competitive process with outside reviewers using as key criteria (i) the demonstration of commercial relevance, and (ii) a clear path to the marketplace for any innovations developed in the course of the research, and (C) an aggressive marketing campaign through business organizations to raise industry awareness of resources from universities or technology-focused organizations; and
 - (3) To develop a Connecticut Center for Nanoscale Sciences and Development to provide a shared-use laboratory in one or more sites in the state to advance university research, industry application development and education involving the synthesis, characterization and fabrication of nanoscale materials, intermediates and devices and

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related program activities. The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall conduct a feasibility study and business planning model leading to the establishment of such center, including strategies for securing investments from the federal government and private entities. On or before January 1, 2007, said office shall submit the results of such study, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and higher education and employment advancement.

- (d) The Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the promotion of commercialization of research done by institutions of higher education. Grants pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher education and business entities and may be used:
- (1) To provide funding to verify the technical and commercial feasibility of early stage discoveries by institutions of higher education that are disclosed or patented to accelerate and increase the likelihood that the technology will be successfully commercialized;
- (2) To provide matching support for smaller institutions of higher education to allow for contracts with independent technology transfer organizations to provide specific service to support specific needs; and
- (3) Through the Connecticut Small Business Innovation Research Office, supported by the Office of Workforce Competitiveness, to provide specialized technical assistance to advance nanotechnology awards to Connecticut companies and the small business innovation research program, including nanotechnology-related workshops and seminars, grant preparation assistance, marketing assistance, services related to matching grants and other technical assistance to assist companies with nanotechnology-related applications for the small business innovation research program.

- Sec. 82. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to provide funding for the promotion of collaborative research applications between industry and institutions of higher education. Grants pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher education, technology-focused organizations and business entities and may be used:
 - (1) To improve technology infrastructure by advancing the development of shared use between institutions of higher education and business entities of laboratories and equipment, including, but not limited to, technology purchase, lease and installation, operating and necessary support personnel and maintenance;
 - (2) As matching grants for joint projects between an industry, a technology-focused organization or a university. The department shall structure the matching grants to provide two rounds of funding annually and shall do outreach to companies. The matching grant part of the program shall include, but not be limited to, (A) one-to-one matching grants not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars, with inkind match allowed for small and mid-sized companies, (B) involvement of a competitive process with outside reviewers using as key criteria (i) the demonstration of commercial relevance, and (ii) a clear path to the marketplace for any innovations developed in the course of the research, and (C) an aggressive marketing campaign through business organizations to raise industry awareness of resources from universities or technology-focused organizations; and
 - (3) To develop a Connecticut Center for Nanoscale Sciences and Development to provide a shared-use laboratory in one or more sites in the state to advance university research, industry application development and education involving the synthesis, characterization and fabrication of nanoscale materials, intermediates and devices and related program activities.
- 3668 (b) The Department of Economic and Community Development

- (1) To provide funding to verify the technical and commercial feasibility of early stage discoveries by institutions of higher education that are disclosed or patented to accelerate and increase the likelihood that the technology will be successfully commercialized;
- (2) To provide matching support for smaller institutions of higher education to allow for contracts with independent technology transfer organizations to provide specific service to support specific needs; and the department shall provide specialized technical assistance to advance nanotechnology awards to Connecticut companies and the innovation including small business research program, nanotechnology-related workshops and seminars, grant preparation assistance, marketing assistance, services related to matching grants and other technical assistance to assist companies with nanotechnology-related applications for the small business innovation research program.
- Sec. 83. Section 7-147b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- Prior to the establishment of an historic district or districts, the following steps shall be taken:
- (a) The legislative body shall appoint or authorize the chief elected official of the municipality to appoint an historic district study committee for the purpose of making an investigation of a proposed historic district or districts. The legislative body of a municipality which proposes to establish more than one district may establish more than one committee if the proposed districts are not contiguous to each other nor to any existing historic district. Each committee established

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under the provisions of this section shall consist of five regular and three alternate members who shall be electors of the municipality holding no salaried municipal office. Such alternate members shall, when seated as provided in this section, have all powers and duties of a member of the committee. If a regular member of such committee is absent or has a conflict of interest, the chairman of the committee shall designate an alternate to so act, choosing alternates in rotation so that they shall act as nearly equal a number of times as possible. If any alternate is not available in accordance with such rotation, such fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

(b) The historic district study committee shall investigate and submit a report which shall include the following: (1) An analysis of the historic significance and architectural merit of the buildings, structures, places or surroundings to be included in the proposed historic district or districts and the significance of the district as a whole; (2) a general description of the area to be included within the district or districts, including the total number of buildings in each such district or districts listed according to their known or estimated ages; (3) a map showing the exact boundaries of the area to be included within the district or districts; (4) a proposed ordinance or proposed ordinances designed to create and provide for the operation of an historic district or districts in accordance with the provisions of this part; (5) such other matters as the committee may deem necessary or advisable.

(c) The historic district study committee shall transmit copies of its report to the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, the planning commission and zoning commission, or the combined planning and zoning commission, of the municipality, if any, and, in the absence of such a planning commission, zoning commission or combined planning and zoning commission, to the chief elected official of the municipality for their comments and recommendations. In addition to such other comments and recommendations as it may make, the

3733 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] department may recommend either approval, disapproval, modification, alteration or 3734 3735 rejection of the proposed ordinance or ordinances and of the boundaries of each proposed district. Each such commission, board or 3736 3737 individual shall deliver such comments and recommendations to the 3738 committee within sixty-five days of the date of transmission of such 3739 report. Failure to deliver such comments and recommendations shall 3740 be taken as approval of the report of the committee.

- (d) The historic district study committee shall hold a public hearing on the establishment of a proposed historic district or districts not less than sixty-five nor more than one hundred thirty days after the transmission of the report to each party as provided in subsection (c) of this section, except that, if all such parties have delivered their comments and recommendations to the committee, such hearing may be held less than sixty-five days after the transmittal of the report. The comments and recommendations received pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be read in full at the public hearing.
- (e) Notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be given as follows: (1) Written notice of the time, place and purpose of such hearing, postage prepaid, shall be mailed to the owners of record of all real property to be included in the proposed historic district or districts, as they appear on the last-completed grand list, at the addresses shown thereon, at least fifteen days before the time set for such hearing, together with a copy of the report of the historic district study committee or a fair and accurate synopsis of such report. A complete copy of the report, a copy of all recommendations made under subsection (c) of this section, a map showing the boundaries of the area to be included in the proposed district and a copy of the proposed ordinance shall be available at no charge from the town clerk during business hours or shall be mailed, upon request, to any owner of record of real property in the proposed historic district or districts with the notice of the hearing; and (2) by publication of such notice in the form of a legal advertisement appearing in a newspaper having a

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- (f) The historic district study committee shall submit its report with any changes made following the public hearing, along with any comments or recommendations received pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and such other materials as the committee may deem necessary or advisable to the legislative body and the clerk of the municipality within sixty-five days after the public hearing.
- (g) The clerk or his designee shall, not later than sixty-five days from receipt of such report, mail ballots to each owner of record of real property to be included in the proposed district or districts on the question of creation of an historic district or districts, as provided for in sections 7-147a to 7-147k, inclusive. Only an owner who is eighteen years of age or older and who is liable, or whose predecessors in title were liable, to the municipality for taxes on an assessment of not less than one thousand dollars on the last-completed grand list of the municipality on real property within the proposed district, or who would be or would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivision (7), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (20), (21), (22), (23), (24), (25), (26), (29) or (49) of section 12-81, may vote, provided such owner is the record owner of the property, thirty days before the ballots must be returned. Any tenant in common of any freehold interest in any land shall have a vote equal to the fraction of his ownership in said interest. Joint tenants of any freehold interest in any land shall vote as if each joint tenant owned an equal, fractional share of such land. A corporation shall have its vote cast by the chief executive officer of such corporation or his designee. No owner shall have more than one vote.
- (h) The form of the ballot to be mailed to each owner shall be consistent with the model ballot prepared by the Historic Preservation Council of the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism]

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Department of Economic and Community Development established pursuant to section 10-409. The ballot shall be a secret ballot and shall set the date by which such ballots shall be received by the clerk of the municipality. The ballots shall be mailed by first class mail to each owner eligible to vote in such balloting at least fifteen days in advance of the day on which ballots must be returned. Notice of balloting shall be published in the form of a legal advertisement appearing in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the municipality at least twice, at intervals of not less than two days, the first not more than fifteen days or less than ten days and the last not less than two days before the day on which the ballots must be returned. Such ballot shall be returned to the municipal clerk, inserted in an inner envelope which shall have endorsed on the face thereof a form containing a statement as follows: "I, the undersigned, do hereby state under the penalties of false statement that I am an owner of record of real property to be included in the proposed historic district and that I am, or my predecessors in title were, liable to the municipality for taxes on an assessment of not less than one thousand dollars on the last grand list of the municipality of real property within the district, or who would be or would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivision (7), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (20), (21), (22), (23), (24), (25), (26), (29) or (49) of section 12-81." Such statement shall be signed and dated. Any person who intentionally falsely signs such ballot shall be guilty of false statement as provided in section 53a-157b. The inner envelope, in which the ballot has been inserted by the owner, shall be returned to the municipal clerk in an outer envelope endorsed on the outside with the words: "Official ballot". Such outer envelope shall also contain, in the upper left corner of the face thereof, blank spaces for the name and return address of the sender. In the lower left corner of such outer envelope, enclosed in a printed box, there shall be spaces upon which the municipal clerk, before issuance of the ballot and envelopes, shall inscribe the name, street and number of the elector's voting residence and the date by which the ballot must be returned, and before issuance the municipal clerk shall similarly

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(i) If two-thirds of all property owners voting cast votes in the affirmative, the legislative body of the municipality shall by majority vote take one of the following steps: (1) Accept the report of the committee and enact an ordinance or ordinances to create and provide for the operation of an historic district or districts in accordance with the provisions of this part; (2) reject the report of the committee, stating its reasons for such rejection; (3) return the report to the historic district study committee with such amendments and revisions thereto as it may deem advisable, for consideration by the committee. The committee shall submit an amended report to the legislative body within sixty-five days of such return. The committee need not hold a public hearing other than the one provided for in subsection (d) of this section, notwithstanding any changes in its report following such hearing, unless the legislative body has recommended a change in the boundaries of the proposed district or districts. The legislative body of the municipality may authorize another ballot of the owners within a proposed district or districts to be cast, other than the balloting provided for in subsection (g) of this section, notwithstanding any changes in the proposed ordinance following such balloting, if the boundaries of the proposed district in which the owners' property is situated are changed.

(j) Any ordinance, or amendment thereof, enacted pursuant to this part, which creates or alters district boundaries, shall contain a legal description of the area to be included within the historic district. The legislative body, when it passes such an ordinance, or amendment thereof, shall transmit to the municipal clerk a copy of the ordinance or amendment thereof. Such ordinance, or amendment thereof, shall be

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recorded in the land records of the municipality in which such real property is located and indexed by the municipal clerk in the grantor index under the names of the owners of record of such property.

Sec. 84. Section 10-384 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

[Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, with the concurrence of the State Archaeologist, may examine sites and lands to determine if such sites or lands are of state or national archaeological importance and meet all the requirements for listing on the National Register (16 USC 470a) or the state register of historic places defined in section 10-410. Upon determination that any site or land investigated is of state or national archaeological importance, the commission may declare such site or land to be a state archaeological preserve, provided (1) each property owner of any private site or land proposed for designation has been informed of the implications of the designation and consented in writing to such designation, (2) the state agency with custody or control of any public land has been notified in writing of the proposed designation, and (3) written recommendations on the proposal have been sent to the commission by the State Archaeologist and, if there is evidence of Native American activity, the Native American Heritage Advisory Council established pursuant to section 10-382. The commission shall cause notice of such designation to be filed on the land records in the town where such preserve is located.

Sec. 85. Section 4-66aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

There is established, within the General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "land protection, affordable housing and historic preservation account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be distributed every three months as follows: (1) Twenty-five per cent to the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and

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3897 Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development to 3898 use as follows: (A) Two hundred thousand dollars, annually, to 3899 supplement the technical assistance and preservation activities of the 3900 Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, established pursuant to 3901 special act 75-93, and (B) the remainder to supplement historic 3902 preservation activities as provided in sections 10-409 to 10-415, 3903 inclusive; (2) twenty-five per cent to the Connecticut Housing Finance 3904 Authority to supplement new or existing affordable housing 3905 programs; (3) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Environmental 3906 Protection for municipal open space grants; and (4) twenty-five per 3907 cent to the Department of Agriculture to use as follows: (A) Five 3908 hundred thousand dollars annually for the agricultural viability grant 3909 program established pursuant to section 22-26j; (B) five hundred 3910 thousand dollars, annually for the farm transition program established 3911 pursuant to section 22-26k; (C) one hundred thousand dollars annually 3912 to encourage the sale of Connecticut Grown food to schools, 3913 restaurants, retailers, and other institutions and businesses in the state; 3914 (D) seventy-five thousand dollars annually for the Connecticut farm 3915 link program established pursuant to section 22-26l; and (E) the 3916 remainder for farmland preservation programs pursuant to chapter 3917 422. Each agency receiving funds under this section may use not more 3918 than ten per cent of such funds for administration of the programs for 3919 which the funds were provided.

Sec. 86. Section 32-477 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The board of directors of the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall give priority to applicants who have established a work environment consistent with the criteria set forth in section 32-475 in awarding financial assistance under the programs authorized pursuant to chapter 588n, sections 32-14 to 32-23a, inclusive, 32-23v, 32-23gg to 32-23ll, inclusive, 32-23z, 32-23pp to 32-23ss, inclusive, and section 32-341 and the programs utilizing proceeds of self-sustaining revenue bonds and umbrella

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- 3931 any state or regional economic development strategy.
- Sec. 87. Section 10a-25b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3934 (a) The State Bond Commission may authorize the issuance of 3935 bonds of the state in one or more series in accordance with the 3936 provisions of sections 10a-25a to 10a-25g, inclusive, but not in excess of 3937 the aggregate amount of twenty-two million five hundred thousand 3938 dollars.
- 3939 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent hereinafter 3940 stated, shall be used to encourage, promote, develop and assist high 3941 technology products and programs within Connecticut by infusion of 3942 financial assistance in situations when such financial aid would not 3943 otherwise reasonably be available from other sources as hereinafter 3944 stated: (1) For the State Board of Education: High technology 3945 equipment for programs in the vocational-technical schools, not 3946 exceeding two million dollars; (2) for [Connecticut Innovations, 3947 Incorporated the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority: (A) 3948 Matching funds for cooperative high technology research and 3949 development projects and programs, not exceeding nine million 3950 dollars; (B) financial aid, as defined in subdivision (4) of section 32-34, 3951 to public institutions of higher education for high technology projects 3952 and programs, not exceeding eleven million five hundred thousand 3953 dollars.
- Sec. 88. Section 10a-25g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2009):
- Through [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut
 Economic Innovations Authority the state may provide financial aid,
 as defined in subdivision (4) of section 32-34, for the development of
 high technology projects and programs in accordance with the
 provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-25b. Such

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3963 <u>Innovations Authority</u> in accordance with the provisions of section 1-

3964 121. [Until June 30, 1996, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated may

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in section 10a-25b or this section, for the administration and evaluation

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Sec. 89. Section 32-41 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The State Bond Commission shall have power in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20 to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate forty-seven million eight hundred fifty-four thousand nine hundred dollars to carry out the purposes of sections 32-32 to 32-41, inclusive. The principal and interest of said bonds shall be payable at such place or places as may be determined by the State Treasurer and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times, bear interest at such rate or different or varying rates, be payable at such time or times, be in such denominations, be in such form with or without interest coupons attached, carry such registration and transfer privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and be subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium as, irrespective of the provisions of said section 3-20, may be provided by the authorization of the State Bond Commission or fixed in accordance therewith. The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, after deducting therefrom all expenses of issuance and sale, shall be paid to the Connecticut Innovations [, Incorporated] Fund created under section 32-41a. When the State Bond Commission has acted to issue such bonds or a portion thereof, the Treasurer may, pending the issue of such bonds, issue, in the name of the state, temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be received from the sale of such bonds. In issuing the bonds authorized hereunder, the State Bond

- Commission may require repayment of such bonds by the corporation as shall seem desirable consistent with the purposes of sections 32-32 to 32-41, inclusive. Such terms for repayment may include a forgiveness of interest, a holiday in the repayment of interest or principal or both.
- Sec. 90. Section 4-66a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall advise the Governor on matters concerning local government including state laws relating to local government, the impact of federal actions or proposed federal actions on local government, the financial needs and resources of local government and the allocation of program and financial responsibility between local government and the state.
 - (b) The secretary shall advise the Governor regarding potential federal actions affecting state government and the citizens of the state and shall advise the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and relating to the subject area of each federal policy initiative, including the allocation of resources in the federal budget, federal public assistance policy, federal economic policy and the distribution of federal assistance and facilities among regions and states.
 - (c) The secretary may provide planning and management assistance to local governments utilizing such state and federal funds as may be appropriated for such purpose.
- (d) The secretary shall encourage each department of state government which deals with local governments to provide technical assistance in their areas of specialization. The secretary shall advise local officials on programs of state and federal assistance for which local governments are eligible and provide assistance, when requested, in applying for such assistance.

- 4024 (e) The secretary shall require that notice be given to him of all 4025 applications for federal financial assistance or for any gift, 4026 contribution, income from trust funds, or other aid from any private 4027 source submitted by the state, or any agency thereof, authorities and 4028 development agencies. The secretary may require that notice be given 4029 him of all applications for federal financial assistance submitted by 4030 municipalities or any agency thereof. The secretary may require that 4031 any notice of application for federal financial assistance be 4032 accompanied by an urban impact statement, on a form furnished by 4033 said secretary, indicating that the project or program for which such 4034 application is being made has been reviewed in accordance with the 4035 goals set forth in section 4-66b. Ongoing fund-raising from any private 4036 source by an institution of higher education shall not constitute an 4037 application under the terms of this section.
 - (f) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management is authorized to do all things necessary to apply for and accept federal funds allotted or available to the state under any federal act or program which could support activities which the secretary is authorized to undertake. He shall administer such funds in accordance with state and federal law. The secretary, in consultation with the executive director of [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, when applicable, may apply for all federal funds available to the state for defense conversion projects and other projects consistent with a defense conversion strategy.
- Sec. 91. Section 8-250 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- The purpose of the authority shall be to alleviate the shortage of housing for low and moderate income families and persons in this state and, when appropriate, to promote or maintain the economic development of this state through employer-assisted housing efforts

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4056 and for such purposes the authority shall have the following powers:

- 4057 (1) To have perpetual succession as a body politic and corporate and 4058 to adopt and from time to time amend and repeal bylaws, policies and 4059 procedures for the regulations of its affairs and the conduct of its 4060 business:
- 4061 (2) To invest in, purchase, acquire and take assignments from 4062 mortgagees of notes and mortgages evidencing loans for the 4063 construction, rehabilitation, purchase, leasing or refinancing of 4064 housing;
- 4065 (3) To receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of 4066 money, property, labor or other things of value, to be held, used and 4067 applied to carry out the purposes of this chapter subject to such 4068 conditions upon which such grants and contributions may be made, 4069 including, but not limited to, gifts or grants from any department, 4070 agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state for any 4071 purpose consistent with this chapter;
 - (4) To enter into agreements with any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state and with prospective mortgagees and mortgagors for the purpose of planning and regulating and providing for the financing and refinancing, construction or rehabilitation, leasing, management and disposition of any housing undertaken with the assistance of the authority under this chapter;
 - (5) To acquire or contract to acquire, by purchase, grant, foreclosure or otherwise, leaseholds, fees and other interests in real property, in the state of Connecticut; to take assignments of leases and rentals; to own, hold, clear, improve and rehabilitate and to sell, assign, exchange, transfer, convey, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of or encumber such property on any terms, including purchase money mortgages;

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- 4086 (6) To promote and encourage private sponsorship of the 4087 construction and rehabilitation of adequate housing for low and 4088 moderate income families and persons in this state;
- 4089 (7) To encourage the individual ownership of homes and the 4090 ownership of individual shares of or memberships in cooperative 4091 housing by low and moderate income families and persons in this 4092 state;
- 4093 (8) To stimulate environmental planning for housing for low and 4094 moderate income families and persons in order to enhance 4095 opportunities of such persons for self-development and employment;
 - (9) To encourage governmental agencies and others to participate and assist in overcoming the lack of adequate housing for low and moderate income families and persons in this state;
 - (10) To make mortgage loans and to participate with any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state, or any lending institution, foundation, labor union, investment trust, educational institution, or fiduciary in a loan to an eligible mortgagor secured by a single participation mortgage or by separate mortgages, the interest of each having equal priority as to lien in proportion to the amount of the loan so secured, but not necessarily equal as to interest rate, time or rate of amortization or otherwise; to undertake commitments to make mortgage loans; to sell mortgages at public or private sale, with or without bidding; to foreclose on any mortgage or commence any action to protect or enforce any right conferred upon it by law, mortgage, contract or other agreement, and to bid for and purchase property which was the subject of such mortgage, at any foreclosure or at any other sale; to release or relinquish any right, title, claim, interest or demand, however acquired, including any equity or right of redemption, in property foreclosed by it; to acquire and take possession of any such property, and in such event to complete, administer, pay the principal and interest or any obligation incurred in connection with such property,

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- 4118 dispose of, and otherwise deal with, such property in such manner as 4119 may be necessary or desirable to protect the interests of the authority 4120 therein;
- 4121 (11) To the extent permitted under this chapter, to borrow money or 4122 secure credit on a temporary, short-term, interim or long-term basis;
- 4123 (12) To issue bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations of 4124 the authority to the extent permitted under this chapter, to fund and 4125 refund the same and provide for the rights of the holders thereof; and 4126 to secure the same by pledge of revenues, notes and mortgages of 4127 others;
- 4128 (13) To acquire, lease, hold and dispose of personal property for its 4129 corporate purposes;
- 4130 (14) To fix and collect fees and charges in connection with its loans, 4131 applications for loans, commitments, mortgage insurance and 4132 purchase of mortgages, including, but not limited to, reimbursement of 4133 costs of financing by the authority, service charges and insurance 4134 premiums as the authority shall determine to be reasonable and as 4135 shall be approved by the authority;
 - (15) To employ such assistants, agents and other employees and to engage consultants and such other independent professionals as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with this chapter and to fix their compensation; and to provide technical assistance to eligible mortgagors as provided in this chapter;
 - (16) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers under this chapter, including contracts or agreements with qualified financial institutions for the servicing and processing of mortgage loans pursuant to this chapter;
- 4146 (17) To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, provided nothing in section 8-244 or 8-253 shall be so construed as to permit an 4147

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4150 pleasure, and maintain an office at such place or places within the state

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- 4152 (18) To invest any funds not needed for immediate use or
- 4153 disbursement, including any funds held in reserve, in obligations
- 4154 issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or the state of
- 4155 Connecticut and in other obligations which are legal investments for
- 4156 savings banks in this state and in time deposits or certificates of
- 4157 deposit or other similar banking arrangements secured in such manner
- 4158 as the authority determines;
- 4159 (19) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its
- 4160 property and other assets, including mortgages and mortgage loans, in
- 4161 such amounts and from such insurers as it deems desirable;
- 4162 (20) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
- bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations of the authority,
- 4164 to consent to any modification with respect to rate of interest, time and
- 4165 payment of any installment of principal or interest, security or any
- 4166 other term of any mortgage, mortgage loan, mortgage loan
- 4167 commitment, contract or agreement of any kind to which the authority
- 4168 is a party;
- 4169 (21) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
- 4170 bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations, to enter into
- 4171 contracts with any mortgagor containing provisions enabling such
- 4172 mortgagor to reduce the rental or carrying charges to families of
- 4173 persons unable to pay the regular schedule of charges where, by
- 4174 reason of other income or payment from any department, agency or
- instrumentality of the United States or this state, such reductions can
- 4176 be made without jeopardizing the economic stability of housing being
- 4177 financed;
- 4178 (22) Where by reason of the financing plan a review of the

- 4179 application for financing the proposed housing is required by or in 4180 behalf of any department, agency or instrumentality of the United 4181 States or this state, to provide, contract or arrange for consolidated 4182 processing of any such application to avoid duplication thereof by 4183 either undertaking the processing in whole or in part for any such 4184 department, agency or instrumentality or, in the alternative, delegating 4185 the processing in whole or in part to any such department, agency or 4186 instrumentality;
- 4187 (23) To sell, at public or private sale, with or without bidding, any mortgage or other obligation held by the authority;
- 4189 (24) To insure mortgage payments of any mortgage loan made for 4190 the purpose of constructing, rehabilitating, purchasing, leasing, or 4191 refinancing housing, upon such terms and conditions as the authority 4192 may prescribe;
 - (25) To enter into mortgage insurance agreements with lending institutions in connection with the lending of money by such institutions for the purchase of housing;
 - (26) To make advances to nonprofit corporations, including community housing development corporations meeting requirements of section 8-217, and to municipal developers for the expenses of planning and developing housing for which such nonprofit corporation or municipal developer has applied for a mortgage loan or mortgage insurance from the authority under the provisions of this chapter. The authority may make such advances after it has determined that the proposed housing complies with the standards established by the authority under this chapter, in an amount not to exceed ninety-five per cent of the reasonable development costs expected to be incurred by the applicant in connection with the planning and developing of such housing prior to the availability of financing for the construction, rehabilitation or acquisition thereof. The proceeds of the advance may be used only to defray the development costs of such housing. Each advance shall be

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repaid in full by the recipient thereof upon initial disbursement of the construction loan financing such housing, unless the authority extends the period for repayment of the advances. In no event shall the time for repayment be extended beyond the date of receipt of final disbursement of construction loan proceeds. If the authority determines, after making an advance hereunder, that it will not make a mortgage loan or insure a mortgage for the proposed housing under the provisions of this chapter, the advance may, at the discretion of the authority, be treated as a grant to the extent that the advance cannot be repaid from the assets of the recipient corporation or municipal developer, including the project;

(27) To encourage home ownership by low and moderate income families and persons, including ownership of structures containing not more than four dwelling units where the eligible low or moderate income family or person owning such structure occupies a dwelling unit therein. Structures acquired hereunder may be newly-built, existing or rehabilitated, either before or after acquisition. If newlybuilt, such structures shall conform to the State Building Code; existing structures shall conform after rehabilitation to standards established by the authority. The authority may assist an eligible mortgagor in the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of such structures by exercising any of the powers conferred upon the authority by this chapter. Any structure so acquired, constructed or rehabilitated by an eligible mortgagor other than a low or moderate income family or person shall be conveyed to a low or moderate income family or person within one year from the date of such acquisition or from the date of completion of such construction or acquisition, whichever date is later;

(28) To establish a program to finance the construction or rehabilitation of housing designed for condominium or cooperative ownership, to convert existing housing however financed to such forms of ownership, and to finance the ownership of individual shares of or memberships in cooperative housing, and individual units of

condominium housing, which mortgages for such cooperative and condominium housing are financed by the authority, and in connection therewith to make or insure first or second mortgage loans to finance the organization and the construction or rehabilitation of or conversion to cooperative or condominium housing, to assist and advise tenants during a period of conversion to cooperative or condominium ownership, and to make or insure loans to finance the ownership of individual shares of or memberships in existing as well as new or rehabilitated cooperative housing, such loans to be secured by pledges of the individual shares of or memberships in the cooperative housing purchased or by such other security as the authority shall prescribe, pursuant to such rules and regulations as the authority may determine, provided, in the case of mortgage loans or mortgage loan insurance for occupied existing housing to be converted into cooperative or condominium ownership, the authority shall determine, prior to any mortgage loan or mortgage loan insurance commitment, pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by it, that a sufficient number of the families and persons who are tenants before such conversion have agreed to purchase individual shares of or memberships in any cooperative housing created or units in any condominium declared after conversion to ensure the economic feasibility of the conversion and to ensure that the conversion will not create undue hardship through the displacement of such tenants, provided that, if a loan made by the authority under this section is insured or if the project or any units therein are assisted by any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state, and the terms of the loan insurance commitment or any governmental regulations covering such insurance or other assistance are inconsistent with the terms and conditions required by this section or established by the authority under this chapter, the terms of such loan insurance commitment or governmental regulation shall prevail, to the extent of such inconsistency. As used in this subdivision, "housing" includes the land which constitutes a mobile manufactured home park and "tenants" includes the residents of a mobile

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(29) To give approval or consent to the articles of incorporation or other basic documents of organization submitted to the authority by an applicant for a mortgage loan. (1) If the applicant is a nonprofit corporation, the articles of incorporation shall, in addition to other requirements of law, provide: (a) That the corporation has been organized to provide housing; (b) that all the income and earnings of the corporation shall be used exclusively for corporate purposes and that no part of the net earnings or net income of the corporation shall inure to the benefit or profit of any private individual, firm, corporation, partnership or association; (c) that the corporation is in no manner controlled or under the direction or acting in the substantial interest of any private individual, firm, partnership or association seeking to derive profit or gain therefrom or seeking to eliminate or minimize losses in any dealing or transactions therewith; (d) that the operations of the corporation may be supervised by the authority and that the corporation shall enter into such agreements with the authority as the authority from time to time requires providing for regulation by the authority of the planning, development and management of any housing project undertaken by the corporation and the disposition of the property and franchises of the corporation. (2) If the applicant is a corporation organized for profit, the articles of incorporation shall provide, in addition to other requirements of law: (a) That the corporation has been organized to provide housing; (b) that every stockholder of the corporation shall be deemed, by the subscription or receipt of stock therein, to have agreed that he at no time shall receive from the corporation in repayment of his investment any sums in excess of the face value of the investment plus cumulative dividends not in excess of the return on equity permitted by other provisions of this chapter, computed from the initial date upon which moneys were paid or property delivered in consideration for the proprietary interest of the stockholder and upon the dissolution of the corporation any surplus in excess of such amounts shall be paid to the authority; (c) that the operations of the corporation may be supervised

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provide that the authority shall have the power to appoint to the board of directors of the nonprofit or for-profit corporation a number of new directors, which number shall be sufficient to constitute a majority of the board, and to appoint a managing agent of the unincorporated association, notwithstanding any other provisions of the articles of incorporation or other basic documents of organization or any other provisions of law, if: (a) The authority determines that the loan or advance made to such recipient is in jeopardy of not being repaid; (b) the authority determines that the proposed housing project for which the loan or advance was made is in jeopardy of not being constructed; (c) the recipient is a nonprofit corporation, and the authority determines that some part of the net income or earnings of the corporation is inuring to the benefit of any private individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association, or that the corporation is in some manner controlled by or under the direction of or acting in the substantial interest of any private individual, firm, corporation, partnership or association seeking to derive benefit or gain therefrom or seeking to eliminate or minimize losses in any dealings or transactions therewith; (d) the recipient is a for-profit corporation or unincorporated association, and the authority determines that some part of the net income or earnings of the recipient, in excess of that permitted by other provisions of this chapter, shall inure to the benefit of any private individual, firm, corporation, partnership or association; (e) the authority determines that the recipient is in violation of any rules or regulations promulgated by the authority under the provisions of this chapter; (f) the authority determines that the recipient is in violation of any agreements entered into with the authority providing for regulation by the authority of the planning, development and management of any housing undertaken by the recipient or the disposition of the property and franchises of such recipient;

(30) To do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this chapter and the powers expressly granted by this chapter;

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- (31) To make construction loans secured by a first mortgage to persons for the project costs of subdivision development, upon a finding by the authority that the permanent mortgages are to be used for a housing project and that the construction loan shall include an agreement between the authority and such person which shall establish such restrictions and safeguards as the authority shall deem appropriate and necessary: (1) To assure that savings and benefits realized by such person are reflected in the transfer of title to the mortgagor of such housing whereby said mortgagor is guaranteed full realization of the financial benefit of such savings, or (2) to return to the authority the savings and benefits realized by such person in the event the permanent mortgages are not made to a mortgagor;
- (32) To make commitments to purchase, and to purchase, service and sell mortgages and to make loans directly upon the security of any mortgage, or to purchase and sell Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation participation sale certificates, Government National Mortgage Association mortgage-backed securities or other similar securities which are insured by any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of America or public corporation chartered by Congress during the maximum yields reasonably obtainable for the purpose of generating income to the authority which will enable the authority to provide a lower interest rate than is presently possible for families of low and moderate income. Income limitations adopted by the authority shall not apply to mortgages or securities purchased pursuant to this subsection;
- (33) To make loans which are not secured by a mortgage on real property for the rehabilitation of residential housing for occupancy by persons of low and moderate income, in amounts not to exceed the maximum amount insurable by any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of America in the case of each loan, on such terms and conditions as the authority may determine, provided any such loan shall be insured or guaranteed by a department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of America,

or by such other entity as the authority shall determine is financially able to insure or guarantee repayment in the event of default by the borrower, or coinsured by a department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of America with the authority being a self-insurer for any amount in excess of the insurance available under such coinsurance program;

(34) In addition to powers previously provided pursuant to this chapter and without regard to the limitations in sections 8-253a and 8-254a: (1) To establish a program to finance urban area mortgages and to make, enter into and enforce all contracts or agreements necessary, convenient or desirable with respect thereto; provided applications for urban area mortgages may be considered only when the desired loan may not be otherwise available on reasonable terms; (2) to insure mortgage payments for any urban area mortgage on the same terms and conditions of and subject to the applicable provisions of sections 8-253 and 8-254 and to enter into mortgage insurance agreements with lending institutions in connection with the lending of money by such institutions for the making of urban area mortgages; and (3) from time to time to adopt, modify, amend or repeal rules and regulations governing the making, purchasing, servicing and sale of such urban area mortgages;

(35) To make loans and advances to any mortgagor owning a housing project: (1) For repairs, maintenance, improvements and replacements in the project and the acquisition of any equipment or supplies required therefor; (2) for the payment of liens or claims against any project or against any nonprofit corporation or municipal developer owning any project and arising out of the ownership or operation of such project; or (3) for the payment of any other expenses deemed necessary or desirable to protect the interest of the authority; provided in each case that the construction, acquisition or rehabilitation of the project was financed by a mortgage loan held or insured by the authority, the mortgagor owning the project is unable to make any such payment, and the failure to make any such payment

would either (i) constitute or threaten a delinquency or default under the mortgage held or insured by the authority, or a violation of any agreements entered into with the authority or (ii) jeopardize the economic stability of the project. Any such loan or advance may, at the discretion of the authority, be treated as a grant and, if not so treated, shall be evidenced by a second mortgage on the housing project and shall be repaid according to such terms and conditions as the authority may prescribe, except that the repayment of the loan in the event of default under such mortgage by the mortgagor need not be insured or guaranteed;

(36) To provide in all programs of the authority means to finance project costs for the purchase, construction and installation in new and existing buildings of energy conservation measures and renewable energy systems providing space heating or cooling, domestic hot water, electricity or other useful energy, regardless of whether a building is presently financed in whole or in part by other programs of the authority. Such energy financing programs shall include making or insuring first or second mortgage loans or loans secured by a security other than a mortgage, as the authority may prescribe. The authority's energy loan programs shall be designed to carry out the state policy of encouraging energy conservation and the widespread use of renewable energy to reduce dependence on conventional fuels subject to rapid increases in cost and uncertain availability. The authority may prescribe loan conditions and loan eligibility criteria consistent with state policy. For the purposes of this subsection "renewable energy" means solar, wind, water and biomass energy;

- (37) To make loans to any person who is sixty-two years of age or older and who owns a single family dwelling in which he resides, for the purpose of converting a portion of the dwelling into a rental unit, subject to applicable zoning regulations;
- 4476 (38) To extend mortgage loan guarantees to mortgage lending 4477 institutions to refinance residential mortgage loans when a decrease in

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the appraised value of the real property securing the mortgage precludes such lending;

(39) (a) In connection with, or incidental to, the issuance or carrying of bonds, or acquisition or carrying of any investment or program of investment, to enter into any contract which the authority determines to be necessary or appropriate to place the obligation or investment of the authority, as represented by the bonds, investment or program of investment and the contract or contracts, in whole or in part, on the interest rate, currency, cash flow, or other basis desired by the authority, including, without limitations, contracts commonly known as interest rate swap agreements, currency swap agreements, forward payment conversion agreements, futures, or contracts providing for payments based on levels of, or changes in, interest rates, currency exchange rates, stock or other indices, or contracts to exchange cash flows or a series of payments, or contracts, including, without limitation, interest rate floors or caps, options, puts or calls to hedge payment, currency, rate, spread, or similar exposure or, contracts for the purchase of option rights with respect to the mandatory tender for purchase of bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority, which are subject to mandatory tender or redemption, including the issuance of certificates evidencing the right of the owner to exercise such option rights. These contracts or arrangements may also be entered into by the authority in connection with, or incidental to, entering into or maintaining any agreement which secures its bonds, notes or other obligations, subject to the terms and conditions thereof respecting outstanding obligations. (b) Bonds issued by the authority may be payable in accordance with their terms, in whole or in part, in currency other than lawful money of the United States of America, provided that the authority enter into a currency swap or similar agreement for payments in lawful money of the United States of America, which covers the entire amount of the debt service payment obligation of the authority with respect to the bonds payable in other currency, and provided further, that if the term of that agreement is less than the term of the bonds, the authority shall include a best efforts covenant to

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- enter into additional agreements as may be necessary to cover the entire amount of the debt service payment obligation. (c) In connection with, or incidental to, the issuance or carrying of bonds, notes or other obligations or entering into any of the contracts or agreement referred to in subdivision (a), the authority may enter into credit enhancement or liquidity agreements, with payment, interest rate, currency, security, default, remedy and other terms and conditions as the authority determines;
 - (40) To develop a program to assist the residents of mobile manufactured home parks finance the purchase of the parks in which they live, including residents who have received notice pursuant to subsection (f) of section 21-70;
 - (41) To make, originate, administer, hold and service grants, deferred loans and loans and the security given therefor, and to perform such other functions as may be necessary and appropriate, with respect to the home ownership loan program established pursuant to sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive, or the private rental investment mortgage and equity program established pursuant to sections 8-400 to 8-406, inclusive; provided that not later than January 1, 1996, the authority shall adopt procedures for administration of such programs pursuant to section 1-121;
 - (42) To accept from the department: (A) Financial assistance, (B) revenues or the right to receive revenues with respect to any program under the supervision of the department, and (C) loan assets or equity interests in connection with any program under the supervision of the department; to make advances to and reimburse the department for any expenses incurred or to be incurred by it in the delivery of such assistance, revenues, rights, assets, interests or amounts; to enter into agreements with the department for the delivery of services by the authority in consultation with the department [,] and the [Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to third parties which

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agreements may include provisions for payment by the department to the authority for the delivery of such services; and to enter into agreements with the department or with the [Connecticut Development Authority or Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the sharing of assistants, agents and other consultants, professionals and employees, and facilities and other real and personal property used in the conduct of the authority's affairs;

(43) To transfer to the department: (A) Financial assistance; (B) revenues or the right to receive revenues with respect to any program under the supervision of the authority; and (C) loan assets, equity interests or financial participation in connection with any program under the supervision of the authority, provided the transfer of such financial assistance, revenues, rights, assets, interests or participation is determined by the authority to be practicable, within the constraints and not inconsistent with the fiduciary obligations of the authority imposed upon or established upon the authority by any provision of the general statutes, the authority's bond resolutions or any other agreement or contract of the authority and to have no adverse effect on the tax-exempt status of any bonds of the authority or the state;

(44) Provide assistance, in such form and subject to such conditions as the authority may determine, to a local housing authority or project sponsor in connection with a housing revitalization project undertaken pursuant to sections 34 to 38, inclusive, of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session*;

(45) To develop and implement a program to purchase, and to fund the authority's purchase of, foreclosed residential real property in this state for the purpose of providing affordable and supportive housing, and to report, in accordance with section 11-4a, no later than January 1, 2009, on the program and plans for its implementation to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to banks and planning and development, and to the

select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing.

- Sec. 92. Section 16-245n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 4580 (a) For purposes of this section, "renewable energy" means solar 4581 photovoltaic energy, solar thermal, geothermal energy, wind, ocean 4582 thermal energy, wave or tidal energy, fuel cells, landfill gas, 4583 hydropower that meets the low-impact standards of the Low-Impact 4584 Hydropower Institute, hydrogen production and hydrogen conversion 4585 technologies, low emission advanced biomass conversion technologies, 4586 alternative fuels, used for electricity generation including ethanol, 4587 biodiesel or other fuel produced in Connecticut and derived from 4588 agricultural produce, food waste or waste vegetable oil, provided the 4589 Commissioner of Environmental Protection determines that such fuels 4590 provide net reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and fossil fuel 4591 consumption, usable electricity from combined heat and power systems with waste heat recovery systems, thermal storage systems 4592 4593 and other energy resources and emerging technologies which have 4594 significant potential for commercialization and which do not involve 4595 the combustion of coal, petroleum or petroleum products, municipal 4596 solid waste or nuclear fission.
 - (b) On and after July 1, 2004, the Department of Public Utility Control shall assess or cause to be assessed a charge of not less than one mill per kilowatt hour charged to each end use customer of electric services in this state which shall be deposited into the Renewable Energy Investment Fund established under subsection (c) of this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, receipts from such charges shall be disbursed to the resources of the General Fund during the period from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2005, unless the department shall, on or before October 30, 2003, issue a financing order for each affected distribution company in accordance with sections 16-245e to 16-245k, inclusive, to sustain funding of renewable energy

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investment programs by substituting an equivalent amount, as determined by the department in such financing order, of proceeds of rate reduction bonds for disbursement to the resources of the General Fund during the period from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2005. The department may authorize in such financing order the issuance of rate reduction bonds that substitute for disbursement to the General Fund for receipts of both charges under this subsection and subsection (a) of section 16-245m and also may in its discretion authorize the issuance of rate reduction bonds under this subsection and subsection (a) of section 16-245m that relate to more than one electric distribution company. The department shall, in such financing order or other appropriate order, offset any increase in the competitive transition assessment necessary to pay principal, premium, if any, interest and expenses of the issuance of such rate reduction bonds by making an equivalent reduction to the charges imposed under this subsection, provided any failure to offset all or any portion of such increase in the competitive transition assessment shall not affect the need to implement the full amount of such increase as required by this subsection and sections 16-245e to 16-245k, inclusive. Such financing order shall also provide if the rate reduction bonds are not issued, any unrecovered funds expended and committed by the electric distribution companies for renewable resource investment through deposits into the Renewable Energy Investment Fund, provided such expenditures were approved by the department following August 20, 2003, and prior to the date of determination that the rate reduction bonds cannot be issued, shall be recovered by the companies from their respective competitive transition assessment or systems benefits charge except that such expenditures shall not exceed one million dollars per month. All receipts from the remaining charges imposed under this subsection, after reduction of such charges to offset the increase in the competitive transition assessment as provided in this subsection, shall be disbursed to the Renewable Energy Investment Fund commencing as of July 1, 2003. Any increase in the competitive transition assessment or decrease in the renewable energy investment

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component of an electric distribution company's rates resulting from the issuance of or obligations under rate reduction bonds shall be included as rate adjustments on customer bills.

(c) There is hereby created a Renewable Energy Investment Fund which shall be within [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for administrative purposes only. The fund may receive any amount required by law to be deposited into the fund and may receive any federal funds as may become available to the state for renewable energy investments. Upon authorization of the Renewable Energy Investments Board established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may use any amount in said fund for expenditures that promote investment in renewable energy sources in accordance with a comprehensive plan foster the growth, development and developed by it to commercialization of renewable energy sources, related enterprises and stimulate demand for renewable energy and deployment of renewable energy sources that serve end use customers in this state and for the further purpose of supporting operational demonstration projects for advanced technologies that reduce energy use from traditional sources. Such expenditures may include, but not be limited to, reimbursement for services provided by the administrator of the fund including a management fee, disbursements from the fund to develop and carry out the plan developed pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, grants, direct or equity investments, contracts or other support research, development, commercialization, deployment and installation of renewable energy technologies, and actions which expand the expertise of individuals, businesses and lending institutions with regard to renewable energy technologies.

(d) There is hereby created a Renewable Energy Investments Board to act on matters related to the Renewable Energy Investment Fund, including, but not limited to, development of a comprehensive plan

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and expenditure of funds. The Renewable Energy Investments Board shall, in such plan, give preference to projects that maximize the reduction of federally mandated congestion charges. The Renewable Energy Investments Board shall make a draft of the comprehensive plan available for public comment for not less than thirty days. The board shall conduct three public hearings in three different regions of the state on the draft comprehensive plan and shall include a summarization of all public comments received at said public hearings in the final comprehensive plan approved by the board. The board shall provide a copy of the comprehensive plan, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy and commerce. The Department of Public Utility Control shall, in an uncontested proceeding, during which the department may hold a public hearing, approve, modify or reject the comprehensive plan prepared pursuant to this subsection.

(e) The Renewable Energy Investments Board shall include not more than fifteen individuals with knowledge and experience in matters related to the purpose and activities of the Renewable Energy Investment Fund. The board shall consist of the following members: (1) One person with expertise regarding renewable energy resources appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (2) one person representing a state or regional organization primarily concerned with environmental protection appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (3) one person with experience in business or commercial investments appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (4) one person representing a state or regional organization primarily concerned with environmental protection appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (5) one person with experience in business or commercial investments appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (6) the Commissioner of Emergency Management and Homeland Security or the commissioner's designee; (7) one person with expertise regarding renewable energy resources appointed by the Governor; (8)

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two persons with experience in business or commercial investments appointed by the board of directors of [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; (9) a representative of a state-wide business association, manufacturing association or chamber of commerce appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; (10) the Consumer Counsel; (11) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the secretary's designee; (12) the Commissioner of Environmental Protection or the commissioner's designee; (13) a representative of organized labor appointed by the Governor; and (14) a representative of residential customers or low-income customers appointed by Governor. On a biennial basis, the board shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members and shall adopt such bylaws and procedures it deems necessary to carry out its functions. The board may establish committees and subcommittees as necessary to conduct its business.

- (f) The board shall issue annually a report to the Department of Public Utility Control reviewing the activities of the Renewable Energy Investment Fund in detail and shall provide a copy of such report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy and commerce and the Office of Consumer Counsel. The report shall include a description of the programs and activities undertaken during the reporting period jointly or in collaboration with the Energy Conservation and Load Management Funds established pursuant to section 16-245m.
- (g) There shall be a joint committee of the Energy Conservation Management Board and the Renewable Energy Investments Board, as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section 16-245m.
- (h) No later than December 31, 2006, and no later than December thirty-first every five years thereafter, the board shall, after consulting with the Energy Conservation Management Board, conduct an evaluation of the performance of the programs and activities of the

- 4741 fund and submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section
- 4742 11-4a, of the evaluation to the joint standing committees of the General
- 4743 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy and
- 4744 commerce.
- Sec. 93. Section 16-245aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 4747 (a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal 4748 renewable energy and efficient energy grant account", which shall be a 4749 separate, nonlapsing account within the Renewable Energy Investment 4750 Fund, established pursuant to section 16-245n. The account shall 4751 contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in 4752 the account and any funds received from any public or private 4753 contributions, gifts, grants, donations, bequests or devises to the fund. 4754 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] The Connecticut Economic 4755 Innovations Authority may make grants-in-aid from the fund in 4756 accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut 4757 4758 Economic Innovations Authority, in consultation with the Department 4759 of Public Utility Control, the Department of Education and the 4760 Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, shall 4761 establish a municipal renewable energy and efficient energy 4762 generation grant program. [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] 4763 The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall make grants 4764 under said program to municipalities for the purchase of (1) renewable 4765 energy sources, including solar energy, geothermal energy and fuel cells or other energy-efficient hydrogen-fueled energy, or (2) energy-4766 4767 efficient generation sources, including units providing combined heat-4768 and-power operations with greater than sixty-five per cent efficiency 4769 or such higher efficiency level as [Connecticut Innovations, 4770 Incorporated, the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may 4771 prescribe, for municipal buildings. [Connecticut Innovations, 4772 Incorporated, The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall

- 4773 give priority to applications for grants for disaster relief centers and 4774 high schools. Each grant shall be in an amount that makes the cost of 4775 purchasing and operating the renewable energy or energy-efficient 4776 generation source competitive with the municipality's current 4777 electricity expenses.
- 4778 (c) On or before October 1, 2007, [Connecticut Innovations, 4779 Incorporated, the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall 4780 develop an application for grants-in-aid under this section for the purpose of purchasing and operating renewable energy or energy-4781 4782 efficient generation sources and may receive applications from 4783 municipalities for such grants-in-aid on and after said date. 4784 Applications shall include, but not be limited to, a complete 4785 description of the proposed renewable energy or energy-efficient 4786 generation source.
 - (d) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and for each of the five consecutive fiscal years thereafter, until the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, not less than ten million dollars shall be available from the municipal renewable energy and efficient energy generation grant account for grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of purchasing and operating renewable energy or energy-efficient generation sources. Any balance of such amount not used for such grants-in-aid during a fiscal year shall be carried forward for the fiscal year next succeeding for such grants-in-aid.
 - (e) On or before January 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall report on the effectiveness of said program to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy.
- 4801 Sec. 94. Section 16-245bb of the general statutes is repealed and the 4802 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 4803 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the

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State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate fifty million dollars.

- (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid pursuant to section 16-245aa.
 - (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

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Sec. 95. Section 16a-38p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate thirty million dollars.
- (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the purpose of funding the net project costs, or the balance of any projects after applying any public or private financial incentives available, for any renewable energy or combined heat and power projects in state buildings. The funds shall be made available through the Renewable Energy Investment Fund, established pursuant to section 16-245n. Eligible state buildings shall be Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified or in the process of becoming LEED certified or in the process of becoming LEED silver rating certified or receive a two-globe rating in the green Globes USA design program or in the process of receiving a two-globe rating in the Green Globes USA design program.
- (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the

State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 96. Section 19a-32f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) (1) There is established a Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee. The committee shall consist of the Commissioner of Public Health and eight members who shall be appointed as follows: Two by the Governor, one of whom shall be nationally recognized as an active investigator in the field of stem cell research and one of whom shall have background and experience in the field of bioethics; one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall have background and experience in private sector stem cell research and development; one each by the majority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives, who shall be academic researchers specializing in stem cell research; one by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall have background and experience in either private or public sector stem cell research and development or related research fields, including, but not limited to, embryology, genetics or cellular biology; and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have background and experience in business or financial investments. Members shall serve for a term of four years commencing on October first, except that members first appointed by the Governor and the majority leaders of

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the Senate and House of Representatives shall serve for a term of two years. No member may serve for more than two consecutive four-year terms and no member may serve concurrently on the Stem Cell Research Peer Review Committee established pursuant to section 19a-32g. All initial appointments to the committee shall be made by October 1, 2005. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

(2) On and after July 1, 2006, the advisory committee shall include eight additional members who shall be appointed as follows: Two by the Governor, one of whom shall be nationally recognized as an active investigator in the field of stem cell research and one of whom shall have background and experience in the field of ethics; one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall have background and experience in private sector stem cell research and development; one each by the majority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives, who shall be academic researchers specializing in stem cell research; one by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall have background and experience in either private or public sector stem cell research and development or related research fields, including, but not limited to, embryology, genetics or cellular biology; and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have background and experience in business or financial investments. Members shall serve for a term of four years, except that (A) members first appointed by the Governor and the majority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives pursuant to this subdivision shall serve for a term of two years and three months, and (B) members first appointed by the remaining appointing authorities shall serve for a term of four years and three months. No member appointed pursuant to this subdivision may serve for more than two consecutive four-year terms and no such member may serve concurrently on the Stem Cell Research Peer Review Committee established pursuant to section 19a-32g. All initial appointments to the committee pursuant to this subdivision shall be made by July 1, 2006. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing

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- 4936 (b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall serve as the chairperson of the committee and shall schedule the first meeting of the committee, which shall be held no later than December 1, 2005.
 - (c) All members appointed to the committee shall work to advance embryonic and human adult stem cell research. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the committee.
 - (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, it shall not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner, officer, stockholder, proprietor, counsel or employee of any eligible institution, or for any other individual with a financial interest in any eligible institution, to serve as a member of the committee. All members shall be deemed public officials and shall adhere to the code of ethics for public officials set forth in chapter 10. Members may participate in the affairs of the committee with respect to the review or consideration of grant-in-aid applications, including the approval or disapproval of such applications, except that no member shall participate in the affairs of the committee with respect to the review or consideration of any grant-in-aid application filed by such member or by any eligible institution in which such member has a financial interest, or with whom such member engages in any business, employment, transaction or professional activity.
 - (e) The Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee shall (1) develop, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, a donated funds program to encourage the development of funds other than state appropriations for embryonic and human adult stem cell research in this state, (2) examine and identify specific ways to improve and promote for-profit and not-for-profit embryonic and human adult stem cell and related research in the state, including, but not limited to, identifying both public and private funding sources for such research,

maintaining existing embryonic and human adult stem-cell-related businesses, recruiting new embryonic and human adult stem-cell-related businesses to the state and recruiting scientists and researchers in such field to the state, (3) establish and administer, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, a stem cell research grant program which shall provide grants-in-aid to eligible institutions for the advancement of embryonic or human adult stem cell research in this state pursuant to section 19a-32e, and (4) monitor the stem cell research conducted by eligible institutions that receive such grants-in-aid.

- (f) [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall serve as administrative staff of the committee and shall assist the committee in (1) developing the application for the grants-in-aid authorized under subsection (e) of this section, (2) reviewing such applications, (3) preparing and executing any assistance agreements or other agreements in connection with the awarding of such grants-in-aid, and (4) performing such other administrative duties as the committee deems necessary.
- (g) Not later than June 30, 2007, and annually thereafter until June 30, 2015, the Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Governor and the General Assembly on (1) the amount of grants-in-aid awarded to eligible institutions from the Stem Cell Research Fund pursuant to section 19a-32e, (2) the recipients of such grants-in-aid, and (3) the current status of stem cell research in the state.
- Sec. 97. Section 31-11aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The Connecticut Employment and Training Commission within the Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall produce, within available appropriations, a report on information technology workforce development, including a long-range strategic plan, that addresses Connecticut's workforce and research needs as they relate to

4999 information technology and electronic commerce. The commission 5000 shall work with the Commissioners of Economic and Community 5001 Development, Education and Higher Education and any business-5002 related association or organization that the commission deems 5003 appropriate in creating a planning structure, no later than July 5, 2000, to develop the plan. The planning structure shall include 5004 5005 representation from the Connecticut Employment and Training 5006 Commission, the General Assembly, the Departments of Education, 5007 Higher Education and Economic and Community Development, 5008 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic 5009 <u>Innovations</u> Authority, information technology and software 5010 companies, the Connecticut Business and Industry Association, the 5011 Connecticut Economic Resource Center, the Connecticut Technology 5012 Council, The University of Connecticut, the Connecticut State 5013 University System, the community-technical colleges, Charter Oak 5014 State College, the Connecticut Distance Learning Consortium, the 5015 Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges and any other 5016 representatives including regional and state-wide business and 5017 technology associations the Connecticut Employment and Training 5018 Commission and commissioners deem necessary.

(b) The report shall specify: (1) The number and job descriptions of workers in information technology intensive occupations and the associated occupational codes for those occupations as identified through the Standard Occupational Code classification system of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, (2) a forecast assessment of demand by Connecticut employers in those occupations for two, five and ten years from July 1, 2000, (3) methods to generate a sufficient number of information technology graduates to fill identified needs, including, but not limited to, scholarship, school-to-career and internship programs, (4) methods to effectively link appropriate and trained graduates to information technology jobs in this state, including, but not limited to, loan reimbursement programs, (5) what programmatic and curricular emphasis should be developed to support the growth of electronic commerce, software and

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- 5033 information technology industries, (6) methods secondary and higher 5034 education and private industry can use to continue to address 5035 information technology workforce needs as they change and evolve 5036 over time, and (7) an assessment of existing state initiatives directed at 5037 improving workforce development in Connecticut's information 5038 technology and software industries and a method for ensuring such 5039 industries are informed, on a continual basis, of these and other 5040 workforce development options as they are implemented.
- (c) The commission shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the General Assembly and the Governor by October 16, 2000. The report shall include the specifications of the plan. The commission may, prior to the completion of the report, release findings, data, conclusions or other content on an ongoing basis.
- Sec. 98. Section 32-1e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5048 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, 5049 in consultation with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority 5050 and the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, shall prepare a 5051 plan for the support and promotion of industries that use, process or 5052 transport recycled materials. The plan shall outline ways existing 5053 programs of the Department of Economic and Community 5054 Development, the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority and 5055 agencies such as the Department of Environmental Protection [, the 5056 Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, 5057 Incorporated] and the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 5058 will be used to promote such industries.
- 5059 (b) Such plan shall be completed on or before July 1, 2007.
- Sec. 99. Section 32-1k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in sections 8-244b to 8-244d, inclusive, this section and

- 5063 section 32-11, the following terms shall have the following meanings 5064 unless the context clearly indicates another meaning and intent:
- 5065 "Department" means the Department of Economic and 5066 Community Development;
- 5067 (2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and 5068 Community Development;
- 5069 [(3) "CDA" means the Connecticut Development Authority, as 5070 created under chapter 579;]
- 5071 [(4)] (3) "CHFA" means the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, 5072 as created under chapter 134; and
- 5073 [(5) "CII" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, as created 5074 under chapter 581; and]
- 5075 [(6)] (4) "SHA" means the State Housing Authority as created under 5076 section 8-244b.
- 5077 Sec. 100. Section 32-4h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*): 5078
- 5079 Not later than August 1, 1997, and annually thereafter, the
- 5080 Ichairperson of the board of directors of the Connecticut Development
- 5081 Authority and the chairperson of the board of directors of Connecticut
- 5082 Innovations, Incorporated] executive director of the Connecticut
- 5083 Economic Innovations Authority shall submit a report to the joint
- 5084 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
- 5085 matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community 5086 Development, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a,
- 5087 which details the amount of bond funds expended during the previous
- 5088 fiscal year on each economic cluster in the state. [by the quasi-public
- 5089 agency administered by such chairperson.]
- 5090 Sec. 101. Section 32-6k of the general statutes is repealed and the

following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- 5092 (a) Prior to entering into a grant, loan or assistance agreement for 5093 any project which is a major traffic generator within the meaning of 5094 section 14-311, the Commissioner of Economic and Community 5095 Development and the executive [directors of the Connecticut 5096 Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated 5097 director of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, as the 5098 case may be, shall submit an impact statement for each such project to 5099 the Connecticut Transportation Strategy Board, established pursuant 5100 to section 13b-57e. Each impact statement shall (1) describe the project 5101 and its expected impact on the transportation system, (2) summarize 5102 whether or not such project conforms to the strategy adopted in 5103 accordance with section 13b-57g, and (3) include any other information 5104 the board may require to discharge its responsibilities under this 5105 subsection including, but not limited to, (A) the size of any facility 5106 proposed in connection with the project, (B) the hours of operation of 5107 such facility, (C) a projection of whether or not an increase in daily 5108 vehicle trips including truck traffic is likely to occur as a result of such project, and (D) the availability of public transportation to and from 5109 5110 such facility. The board shall evaluate each such impact statement to 5111 determine whether such project conforms to such strategy and shall 5112 submit to said commissioner and executive [directors] director any 5113 findings and recommendations with respect to such project. Nothing 5114 in this subsection shall be construed as requiring any delay in the 5115 implementation of any such project.
- 5116 (b) The board shall, subject to the requirements of chapter 14, 5117 protect confidential information and trade secrets provided in connection with the review of any project pursuant to subsection (a) of 5119 this section.
- Sec. 102. Section 32-41v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5122 (a) As used in this section:

- (2) "Fund" means the Connecticut New Opportunities Fund.
- 5126 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] The Connecticut 5127 Economic Innovations Authority shall establish a fund to be known as 5128 the Connecticut New Opportunities Fund, for the purpose of investing 5129 in seed stage and emerging growth companies in the state. The 5130 [corporation] authority, or a subsidiary created by the [corporation] 5131 <u>authority</u> for the purposes of this section, shall serve as general partner 5132 or managing member of the fund and shall determine whether the 5133 fund should be organized as a limited partnership or a limited liability 5134 company. The general partner or managing member of the fund shall 5135 be reimbursed from the fund for its management costs, which shall not 5136 exceed two per cent, annually, of the committed capital of the fund.
 - (c) Investors in the fund may include pension funds, foundations and private entities. Such investors shall participate as limited partners or nonmanaging members of the fund. The committed capital of the fund shall not exceed fifty million dollars.
 - (d) The moneys in the fund shall be invested as follows: (1) Not more than twenty-five per cent in seed stage companies, and (2) not more than seventy-five per cent in not more than twenty emerging growth companies. Not more than three million dollars shall be invested in any single seed stage or emerging growth company. Fund investments shall be in the form of equity or similar instruments. An emerging growth company may be eligible for an investment if the company projects high growth, has a strong management team, has current and prospective customers, has had difficulty raising early stage venture capital and is a strong market driver but is facing entry barriers.
- 5152 (e) The fund shall have a term of ten years, provided it may be 5153 extended for three one-year periods if necessary to complete

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- Sec. 103. Section 32-41w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) There is established an early-stage venture capital program to be administered by [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to provide preseed financing, seed financing, start-up financing, early or first-stage financing and expansion financing to companies in the state.
 - (b) In support of the program established in subsection (a) of this section, the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall establish criteria for awarding such financing and shall develop and implement a plan to market the program.
- 5173 (c) The board of the [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall review and approve each application for such financing.
- 5175 (d) Funds provided for this section shall be allocated as follows: (1) 5176 Not less than five per cent for preseed financing; (2) not less than ten 5177 per cent for seed financing; (3) not less than ten per cent for start-up 5178 financing; (4) not less than fifteen per cent for early or first stage 5179 financing; and (5) not less than forty per cent and not more than sixty 5180 per cent on expansion financing, as such terms are defined in section 5181 32-34. The [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall use not more than three per 5182 cent of such funds for administration and marketing of such financial 5183 aid.

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- (e) The [corporation] <u>authority</u> shall adopt procedures, pursuant to section 1-121, to implement the provisions of this section.
- 5186 Sec. 104. Section 32-70a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5188 (a) On or before October 1, 2006, the Commissioner of Economic and 5189 Community Development shall establish goals for enterprise zones 5190 designated under section 32-70. The commissioner shall review such 5191 goals every five years and update them as necessary and appropriate. 5192 Such goals shall include, but not be limited to, increasing private 5193 investment, expanding the tax base, providing job training and job 5194 creation for residents of enterprise zones and reducing property 5195 abandonment and housing blight in enterprise zones.
- (b) On or before October 1, 2006, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall establish performance standards to measure the progress of municipalities with enterprise zones in attaining the goals for enterprise zones established under subsection (a) of this section. The commissioner shall review and update such performance standards as appropriate and necessary.
 - (c) On or before July 1, 2011, and every five years thereafter, each business located within an enterprise zone shall electronically submit, in a format determined by the commissioner, a report to the municipality, which shall include, but not be limited to:
- 5206 (1) The name of the business;
- 5207 (2) The enterprise zone address of each business;
- 5208 (3) The date on which the business was first certified;
- 5209 (4) The number of full-time jobs the business had at the time of 5210 application;
- 5211 (5) The number of part-time jobs the business had at the time of

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5213 5214	(6) The number of full-time jobs of the business filled by residents of the enterprise zone as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5215 5216 5217	(7) The number of part-time jobs of the business filled by residents of the enterprise zone as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5218 5219	(8) The number of full-time jobs the business had as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5220 5221	(9) The number of part-time jobs the business had as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5222 5223	(10) The average annual wage paid by the business to its full-time employees as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5224 5225	(11) The average annual wage paid by the business to its part-time employees as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5226 5227	(12) The number of employees of the business eligible for health benefits as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5228 5229	(13) The per cent of average employee contribution to the health plan of the business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5230 5231	(14) The amount invested by the business in job training as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
5232 5233	(15) The amount of square footage of the building or buildings residing at the enterprise zone address at the time of application;
523452355236	(16) The amount of square footage of the building or buildings residing at the enterprise zone address as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

(17) The amount invested by the business or property owner in the

- 5240 (18) The amount invested in personal property, excluding 5241 machinery and equipment used in the manufacture of goods, as of 5242 June thirtieth of each year since certification;
- 5243 (19) The amount invested in machinery and equipment used in the 5244 manufacture of goods as of June thirtieth of each year since 5245 certification;
- 5246 (20) The amount of the personal property tax abatement awarded to 5247 the business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
- 5248 (21) The amount of the real property tax abatement awarded to the 5249 business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;
- 5250 (22) The amount of personal property tax actually paid by the 5251 business to the municipality as of June thirtieth of each year since 5252 certification; and
- 5253 (23) The amount of real property tax actually paid by the business to 5254 the municipality as of June thirtieth of each year since certification.
 - (d) On or before July 1, 2011, and every five years thereafter, each municipality in which an enterprise zone is located shall electronically submit, in a format determined by the commissioner, a report to the commissioner evaluating the progress of the municipality in meeting the performance standards established under subsection (b) of this section. Each municipal report shall include, to the extent available, a list of all businesses certified within the municipality's enterprise zone, and the information provided by businesses under subsection (c) of this section.
 - (e) On or before February 1, 2011, the commissioner shall assess the performance of each enterprise zone. In making such assessment the commissioner shall consider the report submitted under subsection (c)

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- 5267 of this section by the municipality in which the enterprise zone is 5268 located and any other information he deems relevant. The 5269 commissioner shall report the findings of said assessment and any 5270 recommendations for improvement in the performance of the 5271 enterprise zone in the Department of Economic and Community 5272 Development's annual report.
 - (f) On or before January 1, 2013, the commissioner shall assess the performance of each enterprise zone and may recommend to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of all matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community Development [, the Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, that the designation be removed if he determines that the enterprise zone has not met performance standards established under subsection (b) of this section. Upon such recommendation, the General Assembly may remove the designation.
- 5283 Sec. 105. Section 32-344 of the general statutes is repealed and the 5284 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5285 As used in this section and sections 32-345 and 32-346:
- 5286 (1) "Business-led consortium" means a coalition or other group of 5287 entities, related by contractual or other arrangements, that (A) includes 5288 at least one Connecticut business and may include other businesses 5289 and nonprofit or public institutions, and (B) is led by a business for the 5290 purpose of technology development or commercialization;
- 5291 (2) ["Corporation"] "Authority" means [Connecticut Innovations, 5292 Incorporated, as created under section 32-35] the Connecticut 5293 Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to section 6 of 5294 this act;
- 5295 (3) "Small business" means a corporation, limited liability company, 5296 partnership, sole proprietorship or individual, operating a business for

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- 5297 profit, which employs five hundred or fewer employees, including 5298 employees employed in any subsidiary or affiliated corporation;
- 5299 (4) "Small business innovation research program" means the federal 5300 program established pursuant to the Small Business Innovation 5301 Development Act of 1982 (P.L. 97-219), as amended, which provides 5302 funds to small businesses to conduct innovative research which has 5303 potential commercial applications;
- 5304 (5) "Small business technology transfer program" means the federal 5305 program established pursuant to the Small Business Research and 5306 Development Enhancement Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-564), as amended, 5307 which provides funds to small businesses that collaborate with 5308 nonprofit research institutions to conduct innovative research which 5309 has potential commercial applications;
 - (6) "Federal technology support program" means any program now or hereafter established by the government of the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof, other than the small business innovation research program and small business technology transfer program that (A) is authorized to provide funding support for projects undertaken by businesses and business-led consortia for the development or commercialization of advanced technologies, including without limitation technologies applied or applicable to national defense, and (B) requires recipients to furnish a portion of the funds necessary to carry out such activities;
- 5320 (7) "Micro business" means a business entity, including its affiliates, 5321 that (A) is independently owned and operated, and (B) employs fewer 5322 than fifty full-time employees or has gross annual sales of less than five million dollars. 5323
- 5324 Sec. 106. Section 32-356 of the general statutes is repealed and the 5325 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5326 (a) For purposes of this section, "incubator facilities" shall have the

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- 5328 (b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development 5329 shall establish the small business incubator program to provide grants 5330 to entities operating incubator facilities, as defined in section 32-34. 5331 The Department of Economic and Community Development may 5332 enter into an agreement, pursuant to chapter 55a, with a person, firm, 5333 corporation or other entity to operate such program. The department, 5334 or a program operator selected pursuant to this subsection, shall, 5335 subject to the availability of funds, operate a technology-based small 5336 business incubator program. In accordance with the written guidelines 5337 developed by the department, the department or program operator, if 5338 any, may provide grants to assist small businesses operating within 5339 incubator facilities. Grants made pursuant to this section shall be used 5340 by such entities to provide operating funds and related services, 5341 including business plan preparation, assistance in acquiring financing 5342 and management counseling.
 - (c) An entity shall submit an application for a grant pursuant to this section in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.
 - (d) There is established an account to be known as the small business incubator account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The commissioner may use funds from the account to provide administrative expenses and grants pursuant to this section.
- 5351 (e) (1) There is established a Small Business Incubator Advisory 5352 Board. Said board shall consist of: (A) The Commissioner of Economic 5353 and Community Development; (B) the [president of the Connecticut 5354 Development Authority and the executive director of [Connecticut 5355 Innovations, Incorporated the Connecticut Economic Innovations 5356 Authority, or the executive director's designee, as an ex-officio 5357 nonvoting [members, or their designees] member; (C) one member to 5358 be appointed by the Governor; (D) two members with experience in

- 5359 the field of technology transfer and commercialization, to be appointed 5360 by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (E) two members with 5361 experience in new product and market development, to be appointed 5362 by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (F) one member to be 5363 appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (G) one member to be 5364 appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (H) 5365 one member with experience in seed and early stage capital 5366 investment, to be appointed by the minority leader of the House of 5367 Representatives; and (I) one member with experience in seed and early 5368 stage capital investment, to be appointed by the minority leader of the 5369 Senate. All initial appointments to said board shall be made not later 5370 than September 1, 2007.
- 5371 (2) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development 5372 shall schedule the first meeting of said board not later than October 15, 5373 2007. Thereafter, the board shall meet at least once annually to evaluate 5374 and recommend changes to the guidelines adopted pursuant to this 5375 section.
- Sec. 107. Section 32-450 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in sections 32-450 to 32-457, inclusive:
- (1) "Awarding authority" means the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development [,] and the board of directors of the [Connecticut Development Authority and the board of directors of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- (2) "Economic development financial assistance" means any grant, loan or loan guarantee, or combination thereof, or any tax credits approved pursuant to section 32-9t, provided to a business for the purpose of economic development.
- 5388 (3) "Employee representatives" means representatives of any

5389 certified or recognized bargaining agents for employees of a business.

- (4) "Threshold project" means (A) a project for which a business 5390 5391 operating in the state and having twenty-five or more full-time 5392 employees in the state submits a request to an awarding authority for 5393 economic development financial assistance in the form of (i) a grant in 5394 the amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars or more or (ii) a 5395 combination of a grant and a loan or loan guarantee, totaling two 5396 hundred fifty thousand dollars or more, or (B) a project for which a 5397 business operating in the state and having one hundred or more full-5398 time employees in the state submits a request to an awarding authority 5399 for economic development financial assistance in the form of (i) a loan 5400 or a loan guarantee, in the amount of one million dollars or more, or 5401 (ii) a combination of a loan and a loan guarantee, totaling one million 5402 dollars or more.
- 5403 Sec. 108. Section 32-462 of the general statutes is repealed and the 5404 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) As used in this section:

- 5406 (1) "Agency" means the Department of Economic and Community 5407 Development [, the Connecticut Development Authority] 5408 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic 5409 Innovations Authority.
- 5410 (2) "Financial assistance" means grants, loans, loan guarantees, 5411 contracts of insurance, investments, or combinations thereof, which are 5412 provided from the proceeds of bonds, notes or other obligations of the 5413 state or an agency which constitute a debt or liability of the state or 5414 which are secured by a special capital reserve fund payable from 5415 amounts appropriated or deemed appropriated from the General 5416 Fund.
- 5417 (3) "Applicant" means any eligible applicant seeking financial 5418 assistance from an agency for a business project. The term "applicant"

- shall not include any political subdivision of the state.
- 5420 (4) "Business project" means a business proposal undertaken by one 5421 or more applicants, but does not include housing unless undertaken in 5422 combination with another unrelated type of business.
- (5) "Biotechnology business project" means any commercial project to be used or occupied by any person to conduct laboratory activity relating to, or the research, development or manufacture of, biologically active molecules or devices that apply to, affect or analyze biological processes.
- 5428 (b) (1) No agency or agencies may award more than a total of ten 5429 million dollars of financial assistance during any two-year period to an 5430 applicant or for a business project unless such financial assistance is 5431 specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly which has 5432 been enacted before, on or after July 1, 1994. (2) The provisions of 5433 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not apply to any awards funded 5434 or to be funded by bonds authorized to be issued by the State Bond Commission before July 1, 1994. 5435
 - (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, no agency or agencies may award more than twenty million dollars of financial assistance for a biotechnology business project during any two-year period unless such financial assistance is specifically authorized by an act of the General Assembly which has been enacted before, on or after July 1, 2001.
- Sec. 109. Section 32-478 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - The board of directors of [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall give priority to applicants who have established a work environment consistent with the criteria set forth in section 32-475 in awarding financial assistance under the program authorized pursuant to sections 32-344, 32-345 and

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- 5449 32-346, to the extent consistent with any state or regional economic 5450 development strategy.
- 5451 Sec. 110. Section 32-479 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 5452 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5453 Not later than July 1, 1996, the Commissioner of Economic and
- 5454 Community Development, the Labor Commissioner [, the Connecticut
- 5455 Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated]
- 5456 and the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall jointly
- 5457 develop goals and objectives and quantifiable outcome measures
- 5458 related to the percentage of financial assistance which is being
- 5459 provided to high performance work organizations. The Labor
- 5460 Commissioner [, the Connecticut Development Authority] and
- [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic 5461
- 5462 <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall submit an annual report concerning such
- 5463 goals, objectives and measures to the joint standing committee of the
- 5464 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and
- 5465 public employees and the joint standing committee having cognizance
- 5466 of matters relating to commerce.
- 5467 Sec. 111. Section 32-480 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 5468 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5469 The Department of Economic and Community Development, the
- 5470 Labor Department [, the Connecticut Development Authority] and
- 5471 [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated] the Connecticut Economic
- 5472 <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall, when appropriate, encourage persons,
- 5473 firms and corporations which contact said departments or authorities
- 5474 for financial assistance to utilize high performance work practices in
- 5475 their business operations.
- 5476 Sec. 112. Section 32-700 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 5477 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5478 As used in sections 32-701 to 32-703, inclusive, and this section:

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- (1) "Awarding authority" means the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the board of directors of the [Connecticut Development Authority, the board of directors of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and the head of any other quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, and any state agency authorized to award state assistance, as defined in subdivision (2) of this section.
 - (2) "State assistance" means any grant, loan, loan guarantee or issuance of tax benefit not of general applicability for the purpose of economic development that is (A) made to a business entity operated for profit, and (B) in an amount greater than one million dollars or that, if added to any other such state assistance made to the same business entity during the preceding two years, would total greater than one million dollars.
- Sec. 113. Section 32-701 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The terms and conditions of any agreement for state assistance under any program of the general statutes to a business entity operated for profit administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development [, Connecticut Development Authority] and [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall include provisions for (1) specific goals for the creation and retention of full-time and part-time jobs and for periodic reports by the recipient on progress in achieving such goals if the primary purpose of the state assistance is job creation or retention, and (2) a requirement that an applicant for any type of state assistance, except grants and loans of a term of less than one year, provide the agency with appropriate security for such financial assistance, including, but not limited to, a letter of credit, a lien on real property or a security interest in goods, equipment, inventory or other property of any kind and that the recipient of such state assistance will remain in substantial material compliance with state and federal law.

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- (b) If a recipient fails to create or retain the number of jobs in this state stipulated in an agreement for state assistance and such failure is due to circumstances within the control of such recipient, the recipient shall repay an amount that is in proportion to the number of jobs that it failed to create or retain unless the awarding authority deems it is in the best interests of the state or the community in which the recipient is located to revise such job creation goals. In such event, the parties shall enter into a revised agreement subject to the approvals required by subsection (c) of this section. Upon request of the awarding authority, a recipient shall provide information necessary to determine compliance with this section, including information showing the compensation paid to employees on jobs created as a result of the state assistance.
- (c) The awarding authority, in its discretion, may modify the terms and conditions of any state assistance, including, but not limited to, forgiveness of repayment of a loan, revision of job creation and retention goals or changes to interest rates, provided such awarding authority notifies the State Bond Commission or the appropriate board of directors, if any, of the modification.
- Sec. 114. Section 32-717 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5532 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, 5533 [the chairperson of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the president of The University of Connecticut and the [chairperson of the Connecticut Development Authority] executive director of the 5536 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, or their respective 5537 designees, shall prepare, within available appropriations, and in 5538 consultation with the Governor's Competitiveness Council, the 5539 Commissioner of Education, the Commissioner of Higher Education, 5540 the chancellor of the community-technical college system, the director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness and any other agencies 5542 and leading technology-focused organizations deemed appropriate by

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the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, recommendations for an implementation plan and budget to establish an Innovation Network that will include the following: (1) The creation of endowed chairs and the hiring of leading academic professionals in targeted fields based on core competencies to work at universities, state colleges and community colleges, in collaboration with other technology initiatives; (2) the focused and aggressive solicitation of and leveraged partnership with federal research funds; (3) increased corporate-sponsored research; (4) the establishment of at least one accelerator, linked innovation to universities and involving corporations and start-up enterprises focused on advanced technology and leveraging the efforts underway by the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology in the Hartford area; (5) the strengthening of technology transfer and entrepreneurship activities at universities in the state; (6) incentives and financial support for collaborative research between universities and industry or federally sponsored technology centers; (7) the creation of linkages to angel networks; and (8) the creation of linkages to incubators in Connecticut. Said plan shall also include provisions for the utilization of existing resources, including, but not limited to, [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Development Authority] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, The University of Connecticut and the Office of Workforce Competitiveness.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with [the chairperson of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,] the president of The University of Connecticut and the [chairperson of the Connecticut Development Authority] executive director of the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, shall develop an implementation plan for the Innovation Network, within available resources, and submit said plan and budget to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to economic development, education and labor, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

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5577 Sec. 115. Section 32-718 of the general statutes is repealed and the 5578 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The Department of Economic and Community Development, Innovations, Incorporated, The University Connecticut, the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and the Office of Workforce Competitiveness may use up to ten million dollars of their existing resources for plan implementation and to provide a catalyst for an additional forty million dollars of private investment. The plan for how these funds will be applied and how they will leverage the private money shall be presented to and approved by the State Bond Commission.

Sec. 116. Section 8-192 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) For the purpose of carrying out or administering a development plan or other functions authorized under this chapter, a municipality, acting by and through its development agency, is authorized, subject only to the limitations and procedures set forth in this section, to issue from time to time bonds of the municipality which are payable solely from and secured by: (1) A pledge of and lien upon any or all of the income, proceeds, revenues and property of development projects, including the proceeds of grants, loans, advances or contributions from the federal government, the state or other source, including financial assistance furnished by the municipality or any other public body pursuant to this chapter; (2) taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, in whole or in part, allocated to and paid into a special fund of the municipality pursuant to the provisions of section 8-192a; or (3) any combination of the methods in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this section. Any bonds payable and secured as provided in this subsection shall be authorized and the appropriation of the proceeds thereof approved by a resolution adopted by the legislative body of the municipality, notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute, local law or

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charter governing the authorization and issuance of bonds and the appropriation of the proceeds thereof generally by the municipality. No such resolution shall be adopted until after a public hearing has been held upon such authorization. Notice of such hearing shall be published not less than five days prior to such hearing in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality. Such bonds shall be issued and sold in such manner; bear interest at such rate or rates, including variable rates to be determined in such manner as set forth in the proceedings authorizing the issuance of the bonds; provide for the payment of interest on such dates, whether before or at maturity; be issued at, above or below par; mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their date in the case of bonds issued to finance housing and facilities related thereto or thirty years from their date in all other cases; have such rank or priority; be payable in such medium of payment; be issued in such form, including, without limitation, registered or book-entry form; carry such registration and transfer privileges and be made subject to purchase or redemption before maturity at such price or prices and under such terms and conditions, including the condition that such bonds be subject to purchase or redemption on the demand of the owner thereof; and contain such other terms and particulars as the legislative body of the municipality or the officers delegated such authority by the legislative body of the municipality shall determine. The proceedings under which bonds are authorized to be issued may, subject to the provisions of the general statutes, contain any or all of the following: (A) Provisions respecting custody of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds and any bond anticipation notes, including any requirements that such proceeds be held separate from or not be commingled with other funds of the municipality; (B) provisions for the investment and reinvestment of bond proceeds until such proceeds are used to pay project costs and for the disposition of any excess bond proceeds or investment earnings thereon; (C) provisions for the execution of reimbursement agreements, or similar agreements, in connection with credit facilities, including, but not limited to, letters of credit or policies

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of bond insurance, remarketing agreements and agreements for the purpose of moderating interest rate fluctuations; (D) provisions for the collection, custody, investment, reinvestment and use of the pledged revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys pledged for payment of bonds as provided in this section; (E) provisions regarding the establishment and maintenance of reserves, sinking funds and any other funds and accounts as shall be approved by the legislative body of the municipality in such amounts as may be established by the legislative body of the municipality, and the regulation and disposition thereof, including requirements that any such funds and accounts be held separate from or not be commingled with other funds of the municipality; (F) covenants for the establishment of maintenance requirements with respect to facilities and properties; (G) provisions for the issuance of additional bonds on a parity with bonds issued prior to the issuance of such additional bonds, including establishment of coverage requirements with respect to such bonds as herein provided; (H) provisions regarding the rights and remedies available in case of a default to the bond owners, note owners or any trustee under any contract, loan agreement, document, instrument or trust indenture, including the right to appoint a trustee to represent their interests upon occurrence of any event of default, as defined in any such default proceedings, provided that if any bonds or bond anticipation notes are secured by a trust indenture, the respective owners of such bonds or notes shall have no authority except as set forth in such trust indenture to appoint a separate trustee to represent them; and (I) other provisions or covenants of like or different character from the foregoing which are consistent with this section and which the legislative body of the municipality determines in such proceedings are necessary, convenient or desirable in order to better secure the bonds or bond anticipation notes, or will tend to make the bonds or bond anticipation notes more marketable, and which are in the best interests of the municipality. Any provisions which may be included in proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under this section may be included in an indenture of trust duly approved in

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accordance with this section which secures the bonds and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, and in such case the provisions of such indenture shall be deemed to be a part of such proceedings as though they were expressly included therein. Any pledge made by the municipality shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, and any revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the municipality shall be subject immediately to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the municipality, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of such lien. Neither the resolution nor any other instrument by which a pledge is created need be recorded. The legislative body of the municipality may enter into a trust indenture by and between the municipality and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the municipality. Such trust indenture may contain such provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bond owners and note owners as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including covenants setting forth the duties of the municipality in relation to the exercise of its powers pursuant to this section and the custody, safeguarding and application of all moneys. The municipality may provide by such trust indenture for the payment of the pledged revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys to the trustee under such trust indenture or to any other depository, and for the method of disbursement thereof, with such safeguards and restrictions as it may determine. All expenses incurred in carrying out such trust indenture may be treated as project costs. Such bonds shall not be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality, provided, if such bonds are made payable, in whole or in part, from funds contracted to be advanced by the municipality, the aggregate amount of such funds not yet appropriated to such purpose shall be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality. As used in this section, "bonds" means any bonds,

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including refunding bonds, notes, temporary notes, interim certificates, debentures or other obligations. Temporary notes issued in accordance with this subsection in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bond issues may be issued for a period of not more than five years and notes issued for a shorter period of time may be renewed by the issue of other notes, provided the period from the date of the original notes to the maturity of the last notes issued in renewal thereof shall not exceed five years.

(b) For the purpose of carrying out or administering a development plan or other functions authorized under this chapter, a municipality, acting by and through its development agency, may accept grants, advances, loans or other financial assistance from the federal government, the state or other source, and may do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure such financial aid. To assist any development project located in the area in which it is authorized to act, any public body, including the state, or any city, town, borough, authority, district, subdivision or agency of the state, may, upon such terms as it determines, furnish service or facilities, provide property, lend or contribute funds, and take any other action of a character which it is authorized to perform for other purposes. To obtain funds for the temporary and definitive financing of any development project, a municipality may, in addition to other action authorized under this chapter or other law, issue its general obligation bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations secured by a pledge of the municipality's full faith and credit. Such bonds, notes, temporary notes and other obligations shall be authorized in accordance with the requirements for the authorization of such obligations generally by the municipality and the authorization, issuance and sale thereof shall be subject to the limitations contained in the general statutes, including provisions on the limitation of the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7-264, 7-378 and 7-378a, and any other public or special act or charter or bond ordinance or bond resolution which limits the issuance or renewal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of

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bond issues to a period of time of less than five years from the date of the original notes or requires a reduction in the principal amount of such notes or renewal notes prior to the fifth anniversary of the date of the original notes, such temporary notes may be issued for a period of not more than five years and notes issued for a shorter period of time may be renewed by the issue of other notes, provided the period from the date of the original notes to the maturity of the last notes issued in renewal thereof shall not exceed five years.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section and any other public or special act or charter or bond ordinance or bond resolution which limits the renewal of temporary notes issued pursuant to said subsections in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bond issues to five years or less from the date of the original notes, any municipality may renew temporary notes in accordance with the provisions of this section for an additional period of not more than four years from the end of such five-year period. The officers or board authorized to issue the bonds or determine the particulars of the bonds may adopt a resolution authorizing the renewal of temporary notes for such additional period under the following conditions: (1) All project grant payments and bond sale proceeds received shall be promptly applied toward project costs or toward payment of such temporary notes as the same shall become due and payable or shall be deposited in trust for such purposes; (2) no later than the end of each period of twelve months after the end of such five-year period a portion of such temporary notes equal to at least one-twentieth of the municipality's estimated cost of the project shall be retired from funds other than project grants or land sale proceeds or note proceeds; (3) the interest on all temporary notes renewed after such five-year period shall be paid from funds other than project grants or land sale proceeds or note proceeds; (4) the principal amount of each bond issue when sold shall be reduced by the amounts spent under subdivision (2) of this subsection, and the principal of such bonds shall be paid in annual installments commencing no later than one year from the date of issue; and (5) the

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- (d) For the purposes of carrying out or administering a specified development plan authorized under this chapter, the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may, upon a resolution with respect to such project adopted by the legislative body of the municipality, issue and administer bonds which are payable solely or in part from and secured by the pledge and security provided for in subsection (a) of this section subject to the general terms and provisions of law applicable to the issuance of bonds by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, except that the provisions of subsection (b) of section 32-23j shall not apply. For purposes of this section and section 8-192a, references to the [Connecticut Development Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall include any subsidiary of the [Connecticut Development Authority established pursuant to subsection (l) of section 32-11al Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- 5803 Sec. 117. Section 8-192a of the general statutes is repealed and the 5804 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

Any development plan authorized under this chapter or any proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under this chapter may contain a provision that taxes, if any, identified in such plan or such authorizing proceeding and levied upon taxable real or personal property, or both, in a development project each year or payments in lieu of such taxes authorized pursuant to chapter 114, or both, by or for

the benefit of any one or more municipalities, districts or other public taxing agencies after adoption of the development plan as provided by section 8-191 or such authorizing proceedings, as the case may be, shall be divided as follows: (a) In each fiscal year that portion of the taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, which would be produced by applying the then current tax rate of each of the taxing agencies to the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the development project on the effective date of such adoption or the date of such authorizing proceedings, as the case may be, or on any date between such two dates which is identified in such proceedings, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes by or for said taxing agencies on all other property are paid; and (b) that portion of the assessed taxes or the payments in lieu of taxes, or both, each fiscal year in excess of the amount referred to in subdivision (a) of this section shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into a special fund of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds to be used in each fiscal year, first to pay the principal of and interest due in such fiscal year on loans, moneys advanced to, or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed, or otherwise, incurred by such municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds to finance or refinance in whole or in part, such development project, and then, at the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds, to purchase bonds issued for the project which has generated the tax increments or payments in lieu of taxes and then, at the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority as issuer of such bonds, to reimburse the provider of or reimbursement party with respect to any guarantee, letter of credit, policy of bond insurance, funds deposited in a debt service reserve fund, funds deposited as capitalized interest or other

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credit enhancement device used to secure payment of debt service on any bonds, notes or other indebtedness issued pursuant to section 8-192 to finance or refinance such development project, to the extent of any payments of debt service made therefrom. Unless and until the total assessed valuation of the taxable property in a development project exceeds the total assessed value of the taxable property in such project as shown by the last assessment list referred to in subdivision (a) of this section, all of the taxes levied and collected and all of the payments in lieu of taxes due and collected upon the taxable property in such development project shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies. When such loans, advances, and indebtedness, if any, and interest thereon, and such debt service reimbursement to the provider of or reimbursement party with respect to such credit enhancement, have been paid in full, all moneys thereafter received from taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, upon the taxable property in such development project shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.

Sec. 118. Section 8-240m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, may provide financial assistance, including, without limitation financial assistance in the form of grants, loans and the purchase of capital stock, for the program established pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-240k, upon the execution of a financial assistance agreement containing such terms and conditions as the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall deem necessary and appropriate to fulfill the purposes of sections 8-240k to 8-240n, inclusive. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-66c, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may provide such financial assistance from the proceeds of bonds authorized for the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to said section 4-66c.

- 5878 (b) [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut 5879 Economic Innovations Authority may provide financial assistance, 5880 including, without limitation, financial assistance in the form of grants, 5881 loans and the purchase of capital stock, for the program established 5882 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-240k, upon the execution of a 5883 financial assistance agreement containing such terms and conditions as 5884 the [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic</u> 5885 <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall deem necessary and appropriate to fulfill 5886 the purposes of sections 8-240k to 8-240n, inclusive.
 - (c) The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority may provide financial assistance, including, without limitation, financial assistance in the form of grants, loans and the purchase of capital stock, for the program established pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-240k, upon the execution of a financial assistance agreement containing such terms and conditions as the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall deem necessary and appropriate to fulfill the purposes of sections 8-240k to 8-240n, inclusive.
- 5895 Sec. 119. Section 13b-79w of the general statutes is repealed and the 5896 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic <u>Innovations Authority</u> is authorized to make loans, on such terms and subject to such conditions as it determines, to (1) support transitoriented development projects, as defined in section 13b-79o; and (2) encourage the development and use of port and rail freight facilities and services, including trackage and related infrastructure.
- 5903 Sec. 120. Section 16-243v of the general statutes is repealed and the 5904 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 5905 (a) For purposes of this section: (1) "Connecticut electric efficiency 5906 partner program" means the coordinated effort among the Department 5907 of Public Utility Control, persons and entities providing enhanced demand-side management technologies, and electric consumers to 5908

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conserve electricity and reduce demand in Connecticut through the purchase and deployment of energy efficient technologies; (2) "enhanced demand-side management technologies" means demandside management solutions, customer-side emergency dispatchable generation resources, customer-side renewable energy generation, load shifting technologies and conservation and load management technologies that reduce electric distribution company customers' electric demand, and high efficiency natural gas and oil boilers and furnaces; and (3) "Connecticut electric efficiency partner" means an electric distribution company customer who acquires an enhanced demand-side management technology or a person, other than an electric distribution company, that provides enhanced demand-side management technologies to electric distribution company customers.

- (b) The Energy Conservation Management Board, in consultation with the Renewable Energy Investments Advisory Committee, shall evaluate and approve enhanced demand-side management technologies that can be deployed by Connecticut electric efficiency partners to reduce electric distribution company customers' electric demand. Such evaluation shall include an examination of the potential to reduce customers' demand, federally mandated congestion charges and other electric costs. On or before October 15, 2007, the Energy Conservation Management Board shall file such evaluation with the Department of Public Utility Control for the department to review and approve or to review, modify and approve on or before October 15, 2007.
- (c) Not later than October 15, 2007, the Energy Conservation Management Board shall file with the department, for the department to review and approve or to review, modify and approve, an analysis of the state's electric demand, peak electric demand and growth forecasts for electric demand and peak electric demand. Such analysis shall identify the principal drivers of electric demand and peak electric demand, associated electric charges tied to electric demand and peak electric demand growth, including, but not limited to, federally

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(d) Commencing April 1, 2008, any person may apply to the department for certification and funding as a Connecticut electric efficiency partner. Such application shall include the technologies that the applicant shall purchase or provide and that have been approved pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. In evaluating the application, the department shall (1) consider the applicant's potential to reduce customers' electric demand, including peak electric demand, and associated electric charges tied to electric demand and peak electric demand growth, (2) determine the portion of the total cost of each project that shall be paid for by the customer participating in this program and the portion of the total cost of each project that shall be paid for by all electric ratepayers and collected pursuant to subsection (h) of this section. In making such determination, the department shall ensure that all ratepayer investments maintain a minimum two-to-one payback ratio, and (3) specify that participating Connecticut electric efficiency partners shall maintain the technology for a period sufficient to achieve such investment payback ratio. The annual ratepayer contribution for projects approved pursuant to this section shall not exceed sixty million dollars. Not less than seventy-five per cent of such annual ratepayer investment shall be used for the technologies themselves. No person shall receive electric ratepayer funding pursuant to this subsection if such person has received or is receiving funding from the Energy Conservation and Load Management Funds for the projects included in said person's application. No person shall receive electric ratepayer funding without receiving a certificate of public convenience and necessity as a Connecticut electric efficiency partner by the department. The department may grant an applicant a certificate of public convenience if it possesses and demonstrates

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adequate financial resources, managerial ability and technical competency. The department may conduct additional requests for proposals from time to time as it deems appropriate. The department shall specify the manner in which a Connecticut electric efficiency partner shall address measures of effectiveness and shall include performance milestones.

(e) Beginning February 1, 2010, a certified Connecticut electric efficiency partner may only receive funding if selected in a request for proposal developed, issued and evaluated by the department. In evaluating a proposal, the department shall take into consideration the potential to reduce customers' electric demand including peak electric demand, and associated electric charges tied to electric demand and peak electric demand growth, including, but not limited to, federally mandated congestion charges and other electric costs, and shall utilize a cost benefit test established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section to rank responses for selection. The department shall determine the portion of the total cost of each project that shall be paid by the customer participating in this program and the portion of the total cost of each project that shall be paid by all electric ratepayers and collected pursuant to the provisions of this subsection. In making such determination, the department shall (1) ensure that all ratepayer investments maintain a minimum two-to-one payback ratio, and (2) specify that participating Connecticut electric efficiency partners shall maintain the technology for a period sufficient to achieve such investment payback ratio. The annual ratepayer contribution shall not exceed sixty million dollars. Not less than seventy-five per cent of such annual ratepayer investment shall be used for the technologies themselves. No Connecticut electric efficiency partner shall receive funding pursuant to this subsection if such partner has received or is receiving funding from the Energy Conservation and Load Management Funds for such technology. The department may conduct additional requests for proposals from time to time as it deems appropriate. The department shall specify the manner in which a Connecticut electric efficiency partner shall address measures of

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- (f) The department may retain the services of a third party entity with expertise in areas such as demand-side management solutions, customer-side renewable energy generation, customer-side distributed generation resources, customer-side emergency dispatchable generation resources, load shifting technologies and conservation and load management investments to assist in the development and operation of the Connecticut electric efficiency partner program. The costs for obtaining third party services pursuant to this subsection shall be recoverable through the systems benefits charge.
- (g) The department shall develop a long-term low-interest loan program to assist certified Connecticut electric efficiency partners in financing the customer portion of the capital costs of approved enhanced demand-side management technologies. The department may establish such financing mechanism by the use of one or more of the following strategies: (1) Modifying the existing long-term customer-side distributed generation financing mechanism established pursuant to section 16-243j, (2) negotiating and entering into an agreement with the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to establish a credit facility or to utilize grants, loans or loan guarantees for the purposes of this section upon such terms and conditions as the authority may prescribe including provisions regarding the rights and remedies available to the authority in case of default, or (3) selecting by competitive bid one or more entities that can provide such long-term financing.
- (h) The department shall provide for the payment of electric ratepayers' portion of the costs of deploying enhanced demand-side management technologies by implementing a contractual financing agreement with the [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> or a private financing entity selected through an appropriate open competitive selection process. No contractual financing agreements entered into with the [Connecticut

- Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> shall exceed ten million dollars. Any electric ratepayer costs resulting from such financing agreement shall be recovered from all electric ratepayers through the systems benefits charge.
- 6046 (i) On or before February 15, 2009, and annually thereafter, the 6047 department shall report to the joint standing committee of the General 6048 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy regarding 6049 the effectiveness of the Connecticut electric efficiency partner program 6050 established pursuant to this section. Said report shall include, but not 6051 be limited to, an accounting of all benefits and costs to ratepayers, a 6052 description of the approved technologies, the payback ratio of all 6053 investments, the number of programs deployed and a list of proposed 6054 projects compared to approved projects and reasons for not being 6055 approved.
- (j) On or before April 1, 2011, the Department of Public Utility
 Control shall initiate a proceeding to review the effectiveness of the
 program and perform a ratepayer cost-benefit analysis. Based upon the
 department's findings in the proceeding, the department may modify
 or discontinue the partnership program established pursuant to this
 section.
- Sec. 121. Subparagraph (P) of subdivision (1) of section 22a-134 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6065 (P) Any conveyance of an establishment to any entity created or operating under chapter 130 or 132, or to an urban rehabilitation agency, as defined in section 8-292, or to a municipality under section 32-224, or to the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or any subsidiary of the authority.
- Sec. 122. Section 22a-173 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> may, upon application of the proposed mortgagee, insure and make advance commitments to insure mortgage payments required by a first mortgage on new machinery, equipment and buildings for the primary purpose of reducing, controlling or eliminating air pollution, certified as approved for such purpose by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, upon such terms and conditions as the [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> may prescribe in accordance with the provisions of chapter 579.

Sec. 123. Section 22a-259 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The following are declared to be policies of the state of Connecticut: (1) That maximum resources recovery from solid waste and maximum recycling and reuse of such resources in order to protect, preserve and enhance the environment of the state shall be considered environmental goals of the state; (2) that solid waste disposal and resources recovery facilities and projects are to be implemented either by the state of Connecticut or under state auspices, in furtherance of these goals; (3) that appropriate governmental structure, processes and support are to be provided so that effective state systems and facilities for solid waste management and large-scale resources recovery may be developed, financed, planned, designed, constructed and operated for the benefit of the people and municipalities of the state; (4) that private industry is to be utilized to the maximum extent feasible to perform planning, design, management, construction, operation, manufacturing and marketing functions related to solid waste disposal and resources recovery and to assist in the development of industrial enterprise based upon resources recovery, recycling and reuse; (5) that long-term negotiated contracts between the state and private persons and industries may be utilized as an incentive for the development of industrial and commercial enterprise based on resources recovery within the state; (6) that solid waste disposal services shall be provided

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for municipal and regional authorities and private persons in the state, at reasonable cost, by state systems and facilities where such services are considered necessary and desirable in accordance with the statewide solid waste management plan and that any revenues received from the payment of the costs of such services otherwise from the operation of state systems and facilities shall be redistributed to the users of such services provided that the authority has determined that all contractual obligations related to such systems and facilities have been met and that such revenues are surplus and not needed to provide necessary support for such systems and facilities; (7) that provision shall be made for planning, research and development, and appropriate innovation in the design, management and operation of the state's systems and facilities for solid waste management, in order to permit continuing improvement and provide adequate incentives and processes for lowering operating and other costs; (8) that the authority established pursuant to this chapter shall have responsibility for implementing solid waste disposal and resources recovery systems and facilities and solid waste management services where necessary and desirable throughout the state in accordance with the state solid waste management plan and applicable statutes and regulations; (9) that actions and activities performed or carried out by the authority or its contractors in accordance with the provisions of this chapter shall be in conformity with the state solid waste management plan and with other applicable policies and regulations of the state, as promulgated from time to time in law and by action of the Department of Environmental Protection and the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; (10) that it being to the best interest of the state, municipalities, individual citizens and the environment to minimize the quantity of materials entering the waste stream that would require collection, transportation, processing, or disposal by any level of government, it is the intent of this legislation to promote the presegregation of recoverable or recyclable materials before they become mixed and included in the waste stream; and that this intent shall be reflected in the policy of the

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resources recovery authority and that no provision of this chapter or action of this authority shall either discourage or prohibit either voluntary or locally ordained solid waste segregation programs or the sale of such segregated materials to private persons, unless the authority has determined based upon a feasibility report filed with the applicable municipal authority that the reduced user fees charged to it should result in its total cost of solid waste management including user fees paid to the authority to be less without presegregation than with it, and (11) that these policies and purposes are hereby declared to be in the public interest and the provisions of this chapter to be necessary and for the public benefit, as a matter of legislative determination.

Sec. 124. Section 22a-264 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

The activities of the authority in providing or contracting to provide solid waste management services to the state, regions, municipalities and persons, in implementing the state resources recovery system and in planning, designing, financing, constructing, managing or operating solid waste facilities, including their location, size and capabilities, shall be in conformity with applicable statutes and regulations and with the state solid waste management plan as promulgated by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection. The authority shall have power to assist in the preparation, revision, extension or amendment of the state solid waste management plan, and the Department of Environmental Protection is hereby authorized to utilize, by contract or other agreement, the capabilities of the authority for the carrying out of such planning functions. The authority shall have power to revise and update, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, that portion of the state solid waste management plan defined as the "solid waste management system". To effect such revision and updating, the authority shall prepare an annual plan of operations which shall be reviewed by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection for consistency with the state solid waste management plan. Upon approval by the Commissioner

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6172 Environmental Protection and by a two-thirds vote of the authority's 6173 full board of directors, the annual plan of operations shall be 6174 promulgated. Any activities of the authority carried out to assist in the 6175 development of industry and commerce based upon the availability of 6176 recovered resources for recycling and reuse shall be coordinated to the 6177 extent practicable with plans and activities of the [Connecticut 6178 Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 6179 with due consideration given to the secondary materials industries 6180 operating within the state of Connecticut.

Sec. 125. Section 25-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the 6182 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall have power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate four million one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred ninety-nine dollars, for the purposes of providing funds for (1) grants to municipally-owned water companies for the planning, design, modification or construction of drinking water facilities of such companies made necessary by the requirements of the Safe Water Act of 1974, or by an order of the Department of Public Health deeming the water supplied by such companies to be inadequate, which facilities shall include, but need not be limited to, collection facilities, treatment facilities, wells, tanks, mains, pumps, transmission facilities and any other machinery and equipment necessary to meet the requirements of said act, (2) grants in accordance with the provisions of section 22a-471 to water companies, as defined in section 25-32a, which have less than ten thousand customers, as defined in said section 25-32a, for the treatment of a contaminated water supply well which is owned, maintained, operated, managed, controlled or employed by the water company, and (3) water supply emergency assistance grants to investor-owned water companies which supply water to at least twenty-five but less than one thousand customers for repair, rehabilitation, interconnection or replacement, in the event that such company has ceased to provide

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water as a result of equipment or facility failure and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, upon recommendation of the Department of Public Health and in consultation with the Department of Public Utility Control, makes a determination that the company is financially unable to immediately restore service and there is no alternative water company reasonably able to immediately supply water. The grants shall be made in accordance with terms and conditions as provided in regulations to be promulgated by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Public Health, provided the amount of any such grant under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars or thirty per cent of the cost of the project being funded by the grant, whichever is greater. For the purposes of this section, planning costs shall include, but need not be limited to, fees and expenses of architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants and other professional consultants, and costs of preparing surveys, studies, site plans and plans and specifications for eligible drinking water facilities. Not more than four million dollars of the proceeds of such bonds shall be allocated to the municipally-owned water companies grant program under subdivision (1) of this subsection, not more than two million dollars of the proceeds of such bonds shall be allocated for the treatment of contaminated water supply wells which are owned, maintained, operated, managed, controlled or employed by a water company under subdivision (2) of this subsection, and not more than seven hundred thousand dollars of the proceeds of such bonds shall be allocated to the investor-owned emergency assistance grant program under subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(b) All provisions of section 3-20 or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section and sections 12-75, 12-76 and 25-33b are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized

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may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(c) Each grant made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall by the [Connecticut Development Authority] authorized Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or, if the authority so determines, by a committee of the authority consisting of the chairman and either one other member of the authority or its executive director. The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic <u>Innovations Authority</u> shall charge reasonable application and other fees to be applied to the administrative expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, to the extent such expenses are not paid by the authority or from moneys appropriated to the department. Each such payment shall be made by the Treasurer upon certification by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development that the payment is authorized under the provisions of this section under the applicable rules and regulations of the department, and under the terms and conditions established by the authority or the duly appointed committee thereof in authorizing the making of the grant.

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- Sec. 126. Subsection (a) of section 32-10 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 6275 1, 2009):
- 6276 (a) On or before July 1, 2009, and every five years thereafter, the 6277 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, within 6278 available appropriations, shall prepare an economic strategic plan for 6279 the state in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 6280 Management, the Commissioners of Environmental Protection and 6281 Transportation, the Labor Commissioner, the executive directors of the 6282 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the [Connecticut 6283 Development Authority, the Connecticut Innovations, Inc., the 6284 Commission on Culture and Tourism] Connecticut Economic 6285 Innovations Authority and the Connecticut Health and Educational 6286 Facilities Authority, and the president of the Office of Workforce 6287 Competitiveness, or their respective designees, and any other agencies 6288 the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development deems 6289 appropriate.
- Sec. 127. Section 32-5a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6292 The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and 6293 the board of directors of the [Connecticut Development Authority] 6294 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall require, as a 6295 condition of any financial assistance provided on and after June 23, 6296 1993, under any program administered by the Department of 6297 Economic and Community Development or such authority to any 6298 business organization, that such business organization: (1) Shall not 6299 relocate outside of the state for ten years after receiving such assistance 6300 or during the term of a loan or loan guarantee, whichever is longer, 6301 unless the full amount of the assistance is repaid to the state and a 6302 penalty equal to five per cent of the total assistance received is paid to 6303 the state and (2) shall, if the business organization relocates within the 6304 state during such period, offer employment at the new location to its

6305 employees from the original location if such employment is available. 6306 For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this section, the value of a 6307 guarantee shall be equal to the amount of the state's liability under the 6308 guarantee. As used in this section, "relocate" means the physical 6309 transfer of the operations of a business in its entirety or of any division 6310 of a business which independently receives any financial assistance 6311 from the state from the location such business or division occupied at 6312 the time it accepted the financial assistance to another location. 6313 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of 6314 Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in 6315 accordance with chapter 54 to establish the terms and conditions of 6316 repayment, including specifying the conditions under which 6317 repayment may be deferred, following a determination by the 6318 commissioner of a legitimate hardship.

Sec. 128. Section 32-6j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

In the assessment and provision of job training for employers, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the executive director of the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall request the assistance of the Labor Commissioner. Upon receipt of a request for job training pursuant to this section, the Labor Commissioner shall notify the chancellor of the regional community-technical colleges, or his designee, of such request. The chancellor, or his designee, shall determine if a training program exists or can be designed at a regional community-technical college to meet such training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of such determination. The Labor Commissioner shall to the extent possible make arrangements for the participation of the regional community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary institutions, adult education programs and state regional vocational-technical schools in implementing the program. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Labor

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- 6338 Commissioner from considering or choosing other providers to meet 6339 such training need.
- 6340 Sec. 129. Section 32-9c of the general statutes is repealed and the 6341 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6342 (a) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers 6343 and duties of the Connecticut Development Commission under the 6344 provisions of chapter 579, shall be transferred to the [Connecticut 6345 Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority 6346 and all the powers and duties of said commission under the provisions 6347 of this chapter shall be transferred to the Department of Economic and 6348 Community Development.
- 6349 (b) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers 6350 and duties of the Connecticut Development Commission under the 6351 provisions of sections 7-137b, 8-155 to 8-159, inclusive, and 8-170 to 8-6352 185, inclusive, shall be transferred to the Department of Economic and 6353 Community Development and the words "Connecticut Development 6354 Commission" or "commissioner" used in said sections, shall mean 6355 "Department of Economic and Community Development".
 - (c) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers and duties of the Connecticut Development Commission under the provisions of sections 8-163 to 8-167, inclusive, shall be transferred to the Department of Economic and Community Development and the words "Connecticut Development Commission" and "Development Commission" when used in said sections shall mean "Department of Economic and Community Development".
- 6363 Sec. 130. Section 32-9n of the general statutes is repealed and the 6364 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6365 (a) There is established within the Department of Economic and 6366 Community Development an Office of Small Business Affairs. Such 6367 office shall aid and encourage small business enterprises, particularly

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6368 those owned and operated by minorities and other socially or 6369 economically disadvantaged individuals in Connecticut. As used in 6370 this section, minority means: (1) Black Americans, including all 6371 persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of 6372 Hispanic origin; (2) Hispanic Americans, including all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other 6373 6374 Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race; (3) all persons having 6375 origins in the Iberian Peninsula, including Portugal, regardless of race; 6376 (4) women; (5) Asian Pacific Americans and Pacific islanders; or (6) 6377 American Indians and persons having origins in any of the original 6378 peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community 6379 6380 identification.

- (b) Said Office of Small Business Affairs shall: (1) Administer the small business development center program run by the Department of Economic and Community Development; (2) coordinate the flow of information within the technical and management assistance program run by the Department of Economic and Community Development; (3) encourage the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to grant loans to small businesses, particularly those owned and operated by minorities and other socially or economically disadvantaged individuals; (4) coordinate and serve as a liaison between all federal, state, regional and municipal agencies and programs affecting small business affairs; and (5) administer any business management training program established under section 32-352 or section 32-355 as the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may determine.
- 6395 Sec. 131. Subsection (d) of section 32-9cc of the general statutes is 6396 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 6397 1, 2009):
- 6398 (d) The Department of Environmental Protection, the Connecticut 6399 Development Authority and the Department of Public Health shall

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- 6401 their offices and the Office of Brownfield Remediation and
- 6402 Development. The Commissioners of Economic and Community
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- 6404 executive director of the [Connecticut Development Authority]
- 6405 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall enter into a
- 6406 memorandum of understanding concerning each entity's
- responsibilities with respect to the Office of Brownfield Remediation
- 6408 and Development. The Office of Brownfield Remediation and
- 6409 Development may develop and recruit two volunteers from the private
- sector, including a person from the Connecticut chapter of the National
- 6411 Brownfield Association, with experience in different aspects of
- brownfield remediation and development. Said volunteers may assist
- 6413 the Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development in achieving
- 6414 the goals of this section.
- Sec. 132. Section 32-9kk of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 6416 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) As used in subsections (b) to (k), inclusive, of this section:
- (1) "Brownfield" means any abandoned or underutilized site where
- 6419 redevelopment and reuse has not occurred due to the presence or
- 6420 potential presence of pollution in the buildings, soil or groundwater
- 6421 that requires remediation before or in conjunction with the restoration,
- 6422 redevelopment and reuse of the property;
- 6423 (2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and
- 6424 Community Development;
- 6425 (3) "Department" means the Department of Economic and
- 6426 Community Development;
- 6427 (4) "Eligible applicant" means any municipality, a for-profit or
- 6428 nonprofit organization or entity, a local or regional economic
- 6429 development entity acting on behalf of a municipality or any

- (5) "Financial assistance" means grants, extensions of credit, loans or
 loan guarantees, participation interests in loans made to eligible
 applicants by the [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut</u>
- 6434 Economic Innovations Authority or combinations thereof;
- 6435 (6) "Municipality" means a town, city, consolidated town and city or consolidated town and borough;
- 6437 (7) "Eligible brownfield project" means the foreclosure, 6438 investigation, assessment, remediation and development of a 6439 brownfield undertaken pursuant to this subsection and subsections (b) 6440 to (k), inclusive, of this section;
- 6441 (8) "Project area" means the area within which a brownfield development project is located;
- 6443 (9) "Real property" means land, buildings and other structures and 6444 improvements thereto, subterranean or subsurface rights, any and all 6445 easements, air rights and franchises of any kind or nature;
- 6446 (10) "State" means the state of Connecticut; and
- (11) "Eligible grant recipients" means municipalities, economic development authorities, regional economic development authorities, or qualified nonprofit community and economic development corporations.
- (b) Subject to the availability of funds, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may, in consultation with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, provide financial assistance pursuant to subsections (e) and (f) of this section in support of eligible brownfield projects, as defined in subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of this section.
- 6457 (c) An eligible applicant, as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection

(a) of this section, shall submit an application for financial assistance to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development on forms provided by said commissioner and with such information said commissioner deems necessary, including, but not limited to: (1) A description of the proposed project; (2) an explanation of the expected benefits of the project in relation to the purposes of subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section; (3) information concerning the financial and technical capacity of the eligible applicant to undertake the proposed project; (4) a project budget; (5) a description of the condition of the property involved including the results of any environmental assessment of the property; and (6) the names of any persons known to be liable for the remediation of the property.

The commissioner may approve, reject or modify any application properly submitted. In reviewing an application and determining the type and amount of financial assistance, if any, to be provided, the commissioner shall consider the following criteria: (1) The availability of funds; (2) the estimated costs of assessing and remediating the site, if known; (3) the relative economic condition of the municipality; (4) the relative need of the eligible project for financial assistance; (5) the degree to which financial assistance is necessary as an inducement to the eligible applicant to undertake the project; (6) the public health and environmental benefits of the project; (7) relative economic benefits of the project to the municipality, the region and the state, including, but not limited to, the extent to which the project will likely result in a contribution to the municipality's tax base and the retention and creation of jobs; (8) the time frame in which the contamination occurred; (9) the relationship of the applicant to the person or entity that caused the contamination; (10) the length of time the property has been abandoned; (11) the taxes owed and the projected revenues that may be restored to the community; (12) the type of financial assistance requested pursuant to this section; and (13) such other criteria as the commissioner may establish consistent with the purposes of subsection (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section.

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- (e) (1) There is established a remedial action and redevelopment municipal grant program to be administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development for the purpose of providing financial assistance in the form of grants to eligible grant recipients. Eligible grant recipients may use grant funds for any development project, including manufacturing, retail, residential, municipal, educational, parks, community centers and mixed-use development, and the project's associated costs, including (A) soil, groundwater and infrastructure investigation, (B) assessment, (C) remediation, (D) abatement, (E) hazardous materials or waste disposal, (F) long-term groundwater or natural attenuation monitoring, (G) environmental land use restrictions, (H) attorneys' fees, (I) planning, engineering and environmental consulting, and (J) building and structural issues, including demolition, asbestos abatement, polychlorinated biphenyls contaminated wood or paint removal, and other infrastructure remedial activities.
- (2) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall award grants on a competitive basis, based at a minimum on an annual request for applications, the first of which shall be issued on October 1, 2008, and the following to be issued on June first each year, with awards being made by the following January first. The commissioner, at the commissioner's discretion, may increase the frequency of requests for applications and awards depending upon the number of applicants and the availability of funding.
 - (3) A grant awarded pursuant to this section shall not exceed four million dollars. If the eligible costs exceed four million dollars, the commissioner may request and seek funding through other state programs.
- (4) If the eligible grant recipient develops and sells the property, such applicant shall return any money received pursuant to this subsection, to the brownfield remediation and development account established pursuant to subsection (l) of this section, minus twenty per

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- (5) Any eligible grant recipient shall be immune from liability to the extent provided in subsection (a) of section 32-9ee.
- (6) The eligible grant recipient may make low-interest loans to a redeveloper, if the future reuse is known and an agreement with the redeveloper is in place and the private party is a coapplicant. Loan principal and interest payments shall be returned to the brownfield remediation and development account established pursuant to subsection (l) of this section, minus twenty per cent of the principal, which the eligible grant recipient shall retain. If the eligible grant recipient provides a loan, such loan may be secured by a state or municipal lien on the property.
- (7) Any eligible grant recipients that provide a loan pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection shall require the loan recipient to enter a voluntary program pursuant to section 22a-133x or 22a-133y with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection for brownfield remediation. The commissioner may use not more than five per cent of eligible grant or loan proceeds for reasonable administrative expenses.
- (8) Notwithstanding section 22a-134a, the eligible grant recipient may acquire and convey its interest in the property without such recipient or the subsequent purchaser incurring liability, including any such liability incurred pursuant to section 22a-134a, provided the property was remediated pursuant to section 22a-133x or 22a-133y or pursuant to an order issued by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and such remediation was performed in accordance with the standards adopted pursuant to section 22a-133k as determined by said commissioner or, if authorized by said commissioner, verified by a licensed environmental professional unless such verification has been rejected by said commissioner subsequent to an audit conducted by said commissioner and provided the subsequent purchaser has no

direct or related liability for the site conditions.

- (f) (1) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall develop a targeted brownfield development loan program to provide financial assistance in the form of low-interest loans to eligible applicants who are potential brownfield purchasers who have no direct or related liability for the site conditions and eligible applicants who are existing property owners who (A) are currently in good standing and otherwise compliant with the Department of Environmental Protection's regulatory programs, (B) demonstrate an inability to fund the investigation and cleanup themselves, and (C) cannot retain or expand jobs due to the costs associated with the investigating and remediating of the contamination.
 - (2) The commissioner shall provide low-interest loans to eligible applicants who are purchasers or existing property owners pursuant to this section who seek to develop property for purposes of retaining or expanding jobs in the state or for developing housing to serve the needs of first-time home buyers. Loans shall be available to manufacturing, retail, residential or mixed-use developments, expansions or reuses. The commissioner shall provide loans based upon project merit and viability, the economic and community development opportunity, municipal support, contribution to the community's tax base, number of jobs, past experience of the applicant, compliance history and ability to pay.
 - (3) Any loan recipient who is a brownfields purchaser and who (A) receives a loan in excess of thirty thousand dollars, or (B) uses loan proceeds to perform a Phase II environmental investigation, shall be subject to section 22a-134a or shall enter a voluntary program for remediation of the property with the Department of Environmental Protection. Any loan recipient who is an existing property owner shall enter a voluntary program with the Department of Environmental Protection.
- 6586 (4) Loans made pursuant to this subsection shall have such terms

and conditions and shall be subject to such eligibility, loan approval and criteria, as determined by the commissioner. Such conditions shall include, but not be limited to, performance requirements and commitments to maintain or retain jobs. Loan repayment shall coincide with the restoration of the site to a productive use or the completion of the expansion. Such loans shall be for a period not to exceed twenty years.

- (5) If the property is sold before loan repayment, the loan is payable upon closing, with interest, unless the commissioner agrees otherwise. The commissioner may carry the loan forward as an encumbrance to the purchaser with the same terms and conditions as the original loan.
- (6) Loans made pursuant to this subsection may be used for any purpose, including the present or past costs of investigation, assessment, remediation, abatement, hazardous materials or waste disposal, long-term groundwater or natural attenuation monitoring, costs associated with an environmental land use restriction, attorneys' fees, planning, engineering and environmental consulting costs, and building and structural issues, including demolition, asbestos abatement, polychlorinated biphenyls removal, contaminated wood or paint removal, and other infrastructure remedial activities.
- (7) For any loan made pursuant to this subsection that is greater than fifty thousand dollars, the applicant shall submit a redevelopment plan that describes how the property will be used or reused for commercial, industrial or mixed-use development and how it will result in jobs and private investment in the community. For any residential development loan pursuant to this subsection, the developer shall agree that the development will provide the housing needs reasonable and appropriate for first-time home buyers or recent college graduates looking to remain in this state.
- (8) The loan program established pursuant to this subsection shall be available to all qualified new and existing property owners. Recipients who use loans for commercial, industrial or mixed-use

- development shall agree to retain or add jobs, during the term of the loan, unless otherwise agreed to by the Department of Economic and Community Development, the [Connecticut Development Authority]

 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority and the Connecticut Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. The residential developer shall agree to retire the loan upon sale of the units unless the development will be apartments.
 - (9) Each loan recipient pursuant to this subsection may be eligible for up to two million dollars per year for up to two years, subject to agency underwriting and reasonable and customary requirements to assure performance. If additional funds are needed, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may recommend that the project be funded through the State Bond Commission.
 - (g) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall approve applications submitted in accordance with subsection (c) of this section before awarding any financial assistance to an eligible applicant or purchasing any participation interest in a loan made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the benefit of an eligible applicant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, if the applicant's request for financial assistance involves the department purchasing a participation interest in a loan made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, such authority may submit such application and other information as is required of eligible applicants under subsection (c) of this section on behalf of such eligible applicant and no further application shall be required of such eligible applicant. No financial assistance shall exceed fifty per cent of the total project cost, provided in the case of (1) planning or site evaluation projects, and (2) financial assistance to any project in a targeted investment community, such assistance shall not exceed ninety per cent of the project cost. Upon approval of the commissioner, a nonstate share of the total project cost, if any, may be satisfied entirely or partially from noncash contributions, including

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- (h) Financial assistance may be made available for (1) site investigation and assessment, (2) planning and engineering, including, but not limited to, the reasonable cost of environmental consultants, laboratory analysis, investigatory and remedial contractors, architects, attorneys' fees, feasibility studies, appraisals, market studies and related activities, (3) the acquisition of real property, provided financial assistance for such acquisition shall not exceed fair market value as appraised as if clean, (4) the construction of site and infrastructure improvements related to the site remediation, (5) demolition, asbestos abatement, hazardous waste removal, PCB removal and related infrastructure remedial activities, (6) remediation, groundwater monitoring, including, but not limited to, natural attenuation groundwater monitoring and costs associated with filing an environmental land use restriction, (7) environmental insurance, and (8) other reasonable expenses the commissioner determines are necessary or appropriate for the initiation, implementation and completion of the project. The department may purchase participation interests in loans made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the foregoing purposes.
- (i) The commissioner may establish the terms and conditions of any financial assistance provided pursuant to subsections (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section. The commissioner may make any stipulation in connection with an offer of financial assistance the commissioner deems necessary to implement the policies and purposes of such sections, including, but not limited to the following: (1) Providing assurances that the eligible applicant will discharge its obligations in connection with the project; and (2) requiring that the eligible applicant provide the department with appropriate security for such financial assistance, including, but not limited to, a letter of credit, a

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6685 lien on real property or a security interest in goods, equipment, 6686 inventory or other property of any kind.

- (j) The commissioner may use any available funds for financial assistance under the provisions of subsections (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section.
- 6690 (k) Whenever funds are used pursuant to subsections (a) to (k), 6691 inclusive, of this section for purposes of environmental assessments or 6692 remediation of a brownfield, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection may seek reimbursement of the costs and expenses incurred 6693 6694 by requesting the Attorney General to bring a civil action to recover 6695 such costs and expenses from any party responsible for such pollution 6696 provided no such action shall be brought separately from any action to 6697 recover costs and expenses incurred by the Commissioner of 6698 Environmental Protection in pursuing action to contain, remove or 6699 mitigate any pollution on such site. The costs and expenses recovered 6700 may include, but shall not be limited to, (1) the actual cost of 6701 identifying, evaluating, planning for and undertaking the remediation 6702 of the site; (2) any administrative costs not exceeding ten per cent of 6703 the actual costs; (3) the costs of recovering the reimbursement; and (4) 6704 interest on the actual costs at a rate of ten per cent a year from the date 6705 such expenses were paid. The defendant in any civil action brought 6706 pursuant to this subsection shall have no cause of action or claim for 6707 contribution against any person with whom the Commissioner of 6708 Environmental Protection has entered into a covenant not to sue 6709 pursuant to sections 22a-133aa and 22a-133bb with respect to pollution 6710 on or emanating from the property that is the subject of said civil 6711 action. Funds recovered pursuant to this section shall be deposited in 6712 the brownfield remediation and development account established 6713 pursuant to subsections (l) to (o), inclusive, of this section. The 6714 provisions of this subsection shall be in addition to any other remedies 6715 provided by law.
- 6716 (l) There is established a separate nonlapsing account within the

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General Fund to be known as the "brownfield remediation and development account". There shall be deposited in the account: (1) The proceeds of bonds issued by the state for deposit into said account and used in accordance with this section; (2) repayments of assistance provided pursuant to subsection (c) of section 22a-133u; (3) interest or other income earned on the investment of moneys in the account; (4) funds recovered pursuant to subsection (i) of this section; and (5) all funds required by law to be deposited in the account. Repayment of principal and interest on loans made pursuant to subsections (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section shall be credited to such account and shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in such account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.

- (m) All moneys received in consideration of financial assistance, including payments of principal and interest on any loans, shall be credited to the account. At the discretion of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, any federal, private or other moneys received by the state in connection with projects undertaken pursuant to subsections (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section shall be credited to the assets of the account.
- (n) Notwithstanding any provision of law, proceeds from the sale of bonds available pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 4-66c may, with the approval of the Governor and the State Bond Commission, be used to capitalize the brownfield remediation and development account created by subsections (l) to (o), inclusive, of this section.
- (o) The commissioner may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, provide financial assistance pursuant to subsections (a) to (k), inclusive, of this section from the account established under subsection (l) to (o), inclusive, of this section.

- 6749 Sec. 133. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 32-9gg of the 6750 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu 6751 thereof (Effective July 1, 2009):
- 6752 (1) A business outreach center shall be any nonprofit or 6753 governmental entity providing or able to provide assistance to small 6754 businesses and minority business enterprises in the areas of business 6755 plan development, financial projection, loan package planning, 6756 including loan packaging for small businesses and minority business 6757 enterprises which are seeking financial assistance 6758 Development Authority] [Connecticut Connecticut 6759 Innovations Authority, business counseling and related monitoring 6760 and follow-up services.
- 6761 Sec. 134. Section 32-22b of the general statutes is repealed and the 6762 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6763 The [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic 6764 <u>Innovations Authority</u> may establish a loan guarantee program to 6765 provide guarantees of not more than thirty per cent of the loan to 6766 lenders who provide financing to eligible developers or eligible 6767 property owners as defined in subsection (a) of section 32-9kk.
- 6768 Sec. 135. Subsection (b) of section 32-230 of the general statutes is 6769 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 6770 1, 2009):
- (b) Each such loan or extension of credit shall be authorized by the 6772 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or, if the authority so determines, by a committee of the authority consisting of the chairman and either one other member of the authority or its executive director, as specified in the determination of the authority. Any administrative expenses 6777 incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, to the extent not paid by the authority or from moneys appropriated to the department, 6779 shall be paid from the Small Contractors' Revolving Loan Fund.

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- Sec. 136. Section 32-23s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 6791 The amendments to sections 32-11a, 32-16, 32-23c, 32-23d, 32-23e, 6792 32-23f and 32-23j effective on June 29, 1981, are intended and shall be 6793 construed as a clarification and expansion of the powers of the 6794 Development [Connecticut Authority] Connecticut Economic 6795 Innovations Authority, and shall not limit or impair any obligation 6796 incurred or right exercised by the authority under its powers prior to 6797 said date.
- Sec. 137. Section 32-61 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

6800 As used in this chapter, "authority" means the [Connecticut 6801 Development Authority created under subsection (a) of section 32-11al 6802 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority established pursuant to 6803 this act; "executive director" means the executive director of the 6804 [Connecticut Development Authority appointed pursuant 6805 subsection (d) of section 32-11a] Connecticut Economic Innovations 6806 Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act; "project" means 6807 a project as defined in subsection (d) of section 32-23d; "insurance 6808 fund" means the Revenue Bond Mortgage Insurance Fund created 6809 under section 32-62; "eligible financial institution" means an eligible 6810 financial institution as defined in section 32-65; "state" means the state 6811 of Connecticut; and "loan" means loans, notes, bonds or other forms of

- indebtedness related to the financing or refinancing of a project by the authority or an eligible financial institution, or any participation or other interest therein, however evidenced, or any pool or portion of the
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- Sec. 138. Subsection (a) of section 32-141 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 4818 1, 2009):
- 6819 (a) (1) The total amount of private activity bonds which may be 6820 issued by state issuers in the calendar year commencing January 1, 6821 2001, under the state ceiling in effect for such year, shall be allocated as 6822 follows: (A) Sixty per cent to the Connecticut Housing Finance 6823 Authority; (B) fifteen per cent to the [Connecticut Development 6824 Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; and (C) 6825 twenty-five per cent to municipalities and political subdivisions, 6826 departments, agencies, authorities and other bodies of municipalities, 6827 the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority and 6828 for contingencies.
 - (2) The total amount of private activity bonds which may be issued by state issuers in the calendar year commencing January 1, 2007, and each calendar year thereafter, under the state ceiling in effect for each such year, shall be allocated as follows: (A) Sixty per cent to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority; (B) twelve and one-half per cent to the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; and (C) twenty-seven and one-half per cent to municipalities and political subdivisions, departments, agencies, authorities and other bodies of municipalities and the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, then to the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation and then for contingencies. At least ten per cent of bonds allocated under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be used for multifamily residential housing in the calendar year commencing January 1, 2008. In each calendar year commencing January 1, 2009, fifteen per cent of such bonds shall be

- 6844 used for multifamily residential housing.
- 6845 (3) The board of directors of the Connecticut Housing Finance 6846 Authority shall undertake a review and analysis of the multifamily 6847 housing goals and programs of the authority to determine the extent to 6848 which the authority can increase the production of multifamily 6849 housing and promote its preservation, including production of 6850 multifamily housing that serves households with incomes less than 6851 fifty per cent of the area median income and households with incomes 6852 less than twenty-five per cent of the area median income. Such review 6853 and analysis shall include, but not be limited to, the use of private 6854 activity bonds in conjunction with four per cent federal tax credits. The 6855 board of directors of the authority shall report its findings and 6856 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General 6857 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and 6858 development and to the select committee on housing not later than 6859 January 1, 2008.
- Sec. 139. Section 32-222 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- As used in sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive: (a) "Business development project" means a project undertaken by an eligible applicant involving one or more of the following:
- 6865 (1) The construction, substantial renovation, improvement or 6866 expansion of a facility;
- 6867 (2) The acquisition of new machinery and equipment;
- 6868 (3) The acquisition, improvement, demolition, cultivation or 6869 disposition of real property, or combinations thereof, or the 6870 remediation of contaminated real property;
- 6871 (4) The creation at a facility, within twenty-four months of the initiation of a hiring program, not less than ten new jobs or an increase in the number of persons employed at the facility of twenty per cent,

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- (5) Economic diversification of the economy of an area of the state or manufacturing or other economic base business where such area or business is substantially reliant upon defense and related industry;
 - (6) Participation in the avoidance of an imminent plant closing or relocation by a manufacturing or other economic base business or assist or improve the economy of an area of the state which has been or is likely to be significantly and adversely impacted by one or more major plant closings or relocations;
 - (7) Support research and development or commercialization of technologies, products, processes or techniques of a manufacturing or other economic base business;
 - (8) Creation or support of organizations that provide technical and engineering assistance to small manufacturers or other economic base businesses to assist them with the design, testing, manufacture and marketing of new products and the instruction and implementation of new techniques and technologies;
 - (9) Support of substantial workforce development efforts;
 - (10) Promotion of community conservation or development or improvement of the quality of life for urban residents of the state; or
- 6894 (11) Promotion of the revitalization of underutilized, state-owned 6895 former railroad depots and areas adjacent to such depots;
 - (b) "Business support services" means activities related to a municipal development project or business development project which support the economic competitiveness of manufacturing or economic base businesses or which further the interests of the state, including, but not limited to, facilities and services related to day care, job training, education, transportation, employee housing, energy conservation, pollution control and recycling, provided activities

- related to employee housing shall be limited to feasibility and implementation studies;
- 6905 (c) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and 6906 Community Development;
- (d) "Economic base business" means a business that the commissioner determines will materially contribute to the economy of the state by creating or retaining jobs, exporting products or services beyond the state's boundaries, encouraging innovation in products or services, adding value to products or services or otherwise supporting or enhancing existing activities important to the economy of the state;
- 6913 (e) "Economic cluster" means an economic cluster, as defined in section 32-4e, recognized by the commissioner;
- 6915 (f) "Department" means the Department of Economic and 6916 Community Development;
- (g) "Development plan" means a plan for a municipal development project prepared in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 32-223;
- 6920 "Eligible applicant" means any for-profit or nonprofit 6921 organization, or any combination thereof, any municipality, regional 6922 planning agency or any combination thereof and further provided, in 6923 the case of a loan made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] 6924 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority in which the department 6925 purchases a participation interest, "eligible applicant" means the for-6926 profit or nonprofit organization, or any combination thereof, that will 6927 receive the proceeds of such loan;
- (i) "Financial assistance" means grants, funds for the purchase of insurance policies and payment of deductibles for insurance policies to cover remediation costs, extensions of credit, loans or loan guarantees, participation interests in loans made to eligible applicants by the [Connecticut Development Authority] <u>Connecticut Economic</u>

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- 6934 (j) "For-profit organization" means a for-profit partnership or sole 6935 proprietorship or corporation or limited liability company which is an 6936 economic base business or has a North American Industrial 6937 Classification code of 311111 through 339999 or 493110, 493120, 493130, 6938 493190, 511210, 512110, 512120, 512191, 522210, 522293, 522294, 522298, 6939 522310, 522320, 522390, 523110, 523120, 523130, 523140, 523210, 523910, 6940 524113, 524114, 524126, 524127, 524128, 524130, 524292, 541711, 541712, 6941 551111, 551112, 551114, 561422, 611310, 611410, 611420, 611430, 611513, 6942 611519, 611710 and 624410 or any business that is part of an economic 6943 cluster, or any establishment or auxiliary or operating unit thereof, as 6944 defined in the North American Industrial Classification System 6945 Manual, which has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the 6946 commissioner that it has the qualifications, including financial 6947 qualifications, necessary to carry out a business development project;
 - (k) "Implementing agency" means one of the following agencies designated by a municipality under section 32-223: (1) An economic development commission, redevelopment agency; sewer authority or sewer commission; public works commission; water authority or water commission; port authority or port commission or harbor authority or harbor commission; parking authority or parking commission; (2) a nonprofit development corporation; or (3) any other agency designated and authorized by a municipality to undertake a project and approved by the commissioner;
 - (l) "Municipal development project" means a business development project through which real property is acquired by a municipality or implementing agency as part of such project;
- 6960 (m) "Municipality" means a town, city, consolidated town and city 6961 or consolidated town and borough;
- (n) "Nonprofit organization" means a municipality or nonprofit corporation as defined in section 33-1002 and organized under the

- 6966 (o) "Planning commission" means a planning and zoning 6967 commission designated pursuant to section 8-4a or a planning 6968 commission created pursuant to section 8-19;
- 6969 (p) "Project" means a municipal development project or business 6970 development project;
- (q) "Project area" means the area within which a municipal development project or business development project is located;
- 6973 (r) "Real property" means land, buildings and other structures and 6974 improvements thereto, subterranean or subsurface right, any and all 6975 easements, air rights and franchises of any kind or nature;
 - (s) "Site and infrastructure improvements" means improvements to: (1) Sanitary sewer facilities; (2) natural gas pipes, electric, telephone and telecommunications conduits and other facilities and waterlines and water supply facilities, except for any such pipes, wires, conduits, waterlines or any such pipes, wires, conduits, waterlines or facilities which a public service company, as defined in section 16-1, water company, as defined in section 25-32a, or municipal utility is required to install pursuant to any provision of the general statutes or any special act, regulation or order of the Department of Public Utility Control or a certificate of public convenience and necessity; (3) storm drainage facilities, including facilities to control flooding; (4) site grading, landscaping, environmental improvements, including remediation of contaminated sites, parking facilities, roadways and related appurtenances; (5) railroad spurs; (6) public port or docking facilities; and (7) such other related improvements necessary or appropriate to carry out the project;
- (t) "State" means the state of Connecticut;
- 6993 (u) "Targeted investment community" means a municipality which

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- (v) "Total project cost" means costs of any kind or nature relating to the planning, implementation and completion of a municipal or business development project;
- 6998 (w) "Legislative body" means (1) the board of selectmen in a town 6999 that does not have a charter, special act or home rule ordinance 7000 relating to its government, or (2) the council, board of aldermen, 7001 representative town meeting, board of selectmen or other elected 7002 legislative body described in a charter, special act or home rule 7003 ordinance relating to its government in a city, consolidated town and 7004 city, consolidated town and borough or a town having a charter, 7005 special act, consolidation ordinance or home rule ordinance relating to 7006 its government.
- Sec. 140. Section 32-223 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) An eligible applicant shall submit an application for financial assistance to the commissioner on forms provided by the commissioner and with such information the commissioner deems necessary, including, but not limited to: (1) A description of the proposed project; (2) an explanation of the expected benefits of the project in relation to the purposes of sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive; (3) information concerning the financial and technical capacity of the eligible applicant to undertake the proposed project; (4) a project budget; and (5) identification, when appropriate, of business support services that may be of benefit to the state and the manufacturing and economic base businesses located or locating in the project area as part of the project. In the case of a municipal development project the eligible applicant shall, in addition to an application for financial assistance, submit a development plan prepared pursuant to subsection (b) of section 32-224 and approved by the commissioner, provided an eligible applicant may, prior to the submission of a development plan, receive financial assistance for

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7026 activities related to the planning of a municipal development project to 7027 the extent such assistance is provided for under subsection (b) of this 7028 section.

(b) Applications properly submitted shall be reviewed and may be approved, disapproved or modified by the commissioner. In reviewing an application and determining the type and amount of financial assistance, if any, to be provided, the commissioner shall consider the following criteria: (1) The availability of funds; (2) the relative economic condition of the municipality; (3) the relative need of the eligible applicant or project for financial assistance; (4) the degree to which financial assistance is necessary as an inducement to the eligible applicant to undertake the project or to the manufacturing or economic base business to locate or undertake the project in the state; (5) the relative economic benefit of the project to the state, including, but not limited to: (A) The extent to which the project will likely result in the retention and creation of jobs, the retention, expansion or relocation of manufacturing or economic base businesses in the state or the diversification of such businesses, or (B) the extent to which the project will increase competitiveness of such businesses, respond to potential or actual dislocation as a result of major plant closings or relocations and address the business service needs of such businesses and the state; and (6) such other criteria as the commissioner may establish consistent with the purposes of sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive. The commissioner shall not deny an application for financial assistance for a project solely because the project site does not have sewer service or access to sewer service.

(c) No financial assistance shall be given to an eligible applicant and no participation interest in a loan made by the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the benefit of an eligible applicant shall be purchased by the department until the commissioner has approved the application submitted in accordance with subsection (a) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, in the event that

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participation interest in a loan made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority under sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, may be used for (1) the planning of a municipal development project or business development project, including, but not limited to, the reasonable cost of feasibility studies, engineering, appraisals, market studies and related activities; (2) the acquisition of real property, machinery or equipment, or any combination thereof, provided such financial assistance shall not exceed fair market value; (3) the construction of site and infrastructure improvements relating to a municipal development or business development project; (4) the construction, renovation and demolition of buildings; (5) relocation expenses for the purpose of assisting an eligible applicant to locate, construct, renovate or acquire a facility; or (6) such other reasonable expenses necessary or appropriate for the initiation, implementation and completion of the project, including, but not limited to: (A) Administrative expenses of the eligible applicant; and (B) business support services in conjunction with another state agency when such agency does not provide adequate funds for such services or when no other state agency provides such services. The department may purchase participation interests in loans made by the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for the foregoing purposes. All relocation assistance provided under sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, to persons residing in the project area shall be in conformance with chapter 135.

(e) The commissioner may establish the terms and conditions of any financial assistance provided under sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, except that the interest rate on any loans shall be determined by the State Bond Commission in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. The commissioner may make any stipulation in connection with an offer of financial assistance he deems necessary to implement the policies and purposes of sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, including, but not limited to the following: (1) The provision of assurances that the eligible applicant will discharge its obligations in connection with

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- 7127 the project, and (2) a requirement that the eligible applicant provide
- 7128 the department with appropriate security for such financial assistance,
- 7129 including, but not limited to, a letter of credit, a lien on real property or
- 7130 a security interest in goods, equipment, inventory or other property of
- 7131 any kind.
- Sec. 141. Section 32-227 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 7133 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7134 (a) For the purpose of carrying out or administering a municipal or
- 7135 business development project, (1) a municipality, acting by and
- 7136 through its implementing agency, may, subject to the limitations and
- 7137 procedures set forth in this section, issue from time to time bonds of
- 7138 the municipality, and (2) the [Connecticut Development Authority]
- 7139 <u>Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority</u> may, upon a resolution
- adopted by the legislative body of the municipality, issue from time to
- 7141 time bonds which, in either case, are payable solely or in part from and
- 7142 secured by: (A) A pledge of and lien upon any or all of the income,
- 7143 proceeds, revenues and property of development projects, including
- 7144 the proceeds of grants, loans, advances or contributions from the
- 7145 federal government, the state or other source, including financial
- 7146 assistance furnished by the municipality or any other public body
- pursuant to sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive; (B) taxes or payments
- 7148 in lieu of taxes, or both, in whole or in part, allocated to and paid into a
- 7149 special fund of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development
- 7150 Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority pursuant to
- 7151 the provisions of subsection (c) of this section; or (C) any combination
- of the methods in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision. Any
- bonds payable and secured as provided in this subsection shall be
- authorized by, and the appropriation of the proceeds thereof approved
- by and subject to, a resolution adopted by the legislative body of the
- 7156 municipality, notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute, local 7157 law or charter governing the authorization and issuance of bonds and
- 7158 the appropriation of the proceeds thereof generally by the
- 7159 municipality. No such resolution shall be adopted until after a public

hearing has been held upon such authorization. Notice of such hearing shall be published not less than five days prior to such hearing in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality. Any such bonds of a municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall be issued and sold in such manner; bear interest at such rate or rates, including variable rates; provide for the payment of interest on such dates, whether before or at maturity; be issued at, above or below par; mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their date; have such rank or priority; be payable in such medium of payment; be issued in such form, including, without limitation, registered or book-entry form; carry such registration and transfer privileges and be made subject to purchase or redemption before maturity at such price or prices and under such terms and conditions, including the condition that such bonds be subject to purchase or redemption on the demand of the owner thereof; and contain such other terms and particulars as the legislative body of the municipality or the officers delegated such authority by the legislative body of the municipality shall determine. Any such bonds of the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority shall be issued and sold in the manner and subject to the general terms and provisions of law applicable to issuance of bonds by the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, except that the provisions of subsection (b) of section 32-23j shall not apply. The proceedings under which bonds are authorized to be issued may, subject to the provisions of indenture or to any other depository agreement, provide for the method of disbursement thereof, with such safeguards and restrictions as it may determine. Any pledge made by the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority for bonds issued as provided in this subsection shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, and any revenues or other receipts, funds or moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic

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Innovations Authority shall be subject to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the municipality or [Connecticut Development Authority] the Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of such lien. Neither the resolution nor any other instrument by which a pledge is created need be recorded. All expenses incurred in carrying out such financing may be treated as project costs. Such bonds shall not be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality, provided, if such bonds are made payable, in whole or in part, from funds contracted to be advanced by the municipality, the aggregate amount of such funds not yet appropriated to such purpose shall be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality. As used in this section, "bonds" means any bonds, including refunding bonds, notes, temporary notes, interim certificates, debentures or other obligations. Temporary notes issued in accordance with this subsection in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bond issues may be issued for a period of not more than five years, and notes issued for a shorter period of time may be renewed by the issue of other notes, provided the period from the date of the original notes to the maturity of the last notes issued in renewal thereof shall not exceed five years. For purposes of this section, references to the Connecticut Development Authority shall include any subsidiary of the [Connecticut Development Authority established pursuant to subsection (I) of section 32-11a] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.

(b) For the purpose of carrying out or administering a municipal or business development project, a municipality or its implementing agency may accept grants, advances, loans or other financial assistance from the federal government, the state or other source and may do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure such financial aid. To assist any project located in the area in which it is authorized to act, any public body, including the state, or any city, town, borough,

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authority, district, subdivision or agency of the state, may, upon such terms as it determines, furnish service or facilities, provide property, lend or contribute funds, and take any other action of a character which it is authorized to perform for other purposes. To obtain funds for the temporary and definitive financing of any project, a municipality or implementing agency may, in addition to other action authorized under this act or other law, issue its general obligation bonds, notes, temporary notes or other obligations secured by a pledge of the municipality's full faith and credit. Such bonds, notes, temporary notes and other obligations shall be authorized in accordance with the requirements for the authorization of such obligations generally by the municipality and the authorization, issuance and sale thereof shall be subject to the limitations contained in the general statutes, including provisions on the limitation of the aggregate indebtedness of the municipality. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7-264, 7-378 and 7-378a, and any other public or special act or charter or bond ordinance or bond resolution which limits the issuance or renewal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bond issues to a period of time of less than five years from the date of the original notes or requires a reduction in the principal amount of such notes or renewal notes prior to the fifth anniversary of the date of the original notes, such temporary notes may be issued for a period of not more than five years, and notes issued for a shorter period of time may be renewed by the issue of other notes, provided the period from the date of the original notes to the maturity of the last notes issued in renewal thereof shall not exceed five years.

(c) Any development plan authorized under sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, or any proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds under said sections may contain a provision that taxes, if any, identified in such plan or such authorizing proceedings and levied upon taxable real or personal property, or both, in a project each year or payments in lieu of such taxes authorized pursuant to chapter 114, or both, by or for the benefit of any one or more municipalities,

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districts or other public taxing agencies, as the case may be, shall be divided as follows: (1) In each fiscal year that portion of the taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, which would be produced by applying the then current tax rate of each of the taxing agencies to the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the project on the effective date of such adoption or the date of such authorizing proceedings, as the case may be, or on any date between such two dates which is identified in such proceedings, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes by or for said taxing agencies on all other property are paid; and (2) that portion of the assessed taxes or the payments in lieu of taxes, or both, each fiscal year in excess of the amount referred to in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid into a special fund of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to be used in each fiscal year, first to pay the principal of and interest due in such fiscal year on loans, moneys advanced to, or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed, or otherwise, incurred by such municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to finance or refinance in whole or in part, such project, and then, at the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut Authority] Development Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, to purchase bonds issued for the project which has generated the tax increments or payments in lieu of taxes and then, at the option of the municipality or the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, to reimburse the provider of or reimbursement party with respect to any guarantee, letter of credit, policy of bond insurance, funds deposited in a debt service reserve fund, funds deposited as capitalized interest or other credit enhancement device used to secure payment of debt service on any bonds, notes or other indebtedness issued pursuant to this section to finance or refinance such project, to the extent of any payments of debt service made therefrom. Unless and until the total assessed

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valuation of the taxable property in a project exceeds the total assessed value of the taxable property in such project as shown by the last assessment list referred to in subdivision (1) of this subsection, all of the taxes levied and collected and all of the payments in lieu of taxes due and collected upon the taxable property in such project shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies. When such loans, advances, and indebtedness, if any, and interest thereof, and such debt service reimbursement to the provider of or reimbursement party with respect to such credit enhancement, have been paid in full, all moneys thereafter received from taxes or payments in lieu of taxes, or both, upon the taxable property in such development project shall be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) or (b) of this section and any other public or special act or charter or bond ordinance or bond resolution which limits the renewal of temporary notes issued pursuant to said subsections in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bond issues to five years from the date of the original notes, any municipality may renew temporary notes in accordance with the provisions of this section for an additional period of not more than four years from the end of such five-year period. The officers or board authorized to issue the bonds or determine the particulars of the bonds may adopt a resolution authorizing the renewal of temporary notes for such additional period under the following conditions: (1) All project grant payments and bond sale proceeds received shall be promptly applied toward project costs or toward payment of such temporary notes as the same shall become due and payable or shall be deposited in trust for such purposes; (2) no later than the end of each period of twelve months after the end of such five-year period a portion of such temporary notes equal to at least one-twentieth of the municipality's estimated cost of the project shall be retired from funds other than project grants or land sale proceeds or note proceeds; (3) the interest on all temporary notes renewed after such five-year period shall be paid from funds other than project grants or land sale

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7330 proceeds or note proceeds; (4) the principal amount of each bond issue 7331 when sold shall be reduced by the amounts spent under subdivision 7332 (2) of this section, and the principal of such bonds shall be paid in 7333 annual installments commencing no later than one year from the date 7334 of issue; and (5) the maximum authorized term of the bonds when sold 7335 shall be reduced by not less than the number of months from the end 7336 of such five-year period to the date of issue. Any anticipated federal or 7337 state project grants or land sale proceeds may be used in computing 7338 the municipality's cost of the project. Any municipality in which such 7339 resolution is passed shall include in its annual budget or shall 7340 otherwise appropriate sufficient funds to make the payments required 7341 by subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection.

Sec. 142. Section 32-244 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) All data and other information received by the Department of Development, and Community the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority or any implementing agency, as defined in section 32-222, or any advisory board or committee of the department, authority or agency, from any person in connection with an application for, or the provision of, financial assistance, which consists of the following, shall be deemed, for purposes of a public records request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, made to the Department of Economic and Community Development, Connecticut Economic [Connecticut Development Authority] Innovations Authority or any such implementing agency, advisory board or committee, to be information described in subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 1-210: (1) Actual trade secrets or information that a person intends to become a trade secret, (2) material that a person intends to patent, (3) patented material, (4) marketing or business plans, (5) plans for new products or services, (6) reports of customer orders or sales or other documents that would disclose names and addresses of customers or potential customers, (7)

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- 7363 information concerning the financial condition or personal affairs of 7364 any individual, (8) financial statements or projections, (9) sales or 7365 earnings forecasts, (10) capital or strategic plans, (11) information 7366 regarding research and development, (12) tax returns, or (13) other 7367 commercial, credit or financial information with respect to the financial 7368 condition or business operations of an applicant for or recipient of 7369 financial assistance which is of a type not customarily made available 7370 to the public.
- 7371 (b) The enumeration in this section of particular types of data and 7372 information shall not be construed to limit the possible applicability of subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 1-210 to other data or 7373 7374 information not so enumerated.
- 7375 Sec. 143. Section 32-244a of the general statutes is repealed and the 7376 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7377 All information contained in any application for financial assistance 7378 submitted to the Department of Economic and Community 7379 Development the [Connecticut Development Authority] 7380 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority prior to October 1, 2000, 7381 and all information with respect to any person or project, including all financial, credit and proprietary information, obtained by the 7382 7383 Department of Economic and Community Development or the 7384 [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic 7385 Innovations Authority prior to October 1, 2000, or on or after October 7386 1, 2000, pursuant to the requirements of an agreement entered into 7387 prior to October 1, 2000, shall be exempt from the provisions of 7388 subsection (a) of section 1-210.
- 7389 Sec. 144. Subsection (k) of section 32-261 of the general statutes is 7390 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 7391 1, 2009):
- 7392 (k) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the 7393 following meanings unless the context indicates another meaning and

- 7394 intent:
- 7395 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority
- 7396 created under subsection (a) of section 32-23d] Connecticut Economic
- 7397 <u>Innovations Authority established pursuant to section 6 of this act;</u>
- 7398 (2) "Eligible financial institution" shall have the same meaning as
- 7399 "eligible financial institution", as defined in subsection (e) of section 32-
- 7400 23d;
- 7401 (3) "Loans" means loans, notes, bonds and all other forms of debt
- 7402 financing or extensions of credit, secured or unsecured, including
- 7403 loans for working capital purposes;
- 7404 (4) "Other investments" means (A) any and all forms of equity
- 7405 financing made by the authority or an eligible financial institution, (B)
- 7406 any participation or other interest in such equity financing, however
- 7407 evidenced, or (C) any pool or portfolio of, or position in, loans, such
- 7408 equity financing or any combination thereof;
- 7409 (5) "Person" means a person, as defined in subsection (s) of section
- 7410 32-23d; and
- 7411 (6) "State" means the state of Connecticut.
- 7412 Sec. 145. Subsection (b) of section 32-262 of the general statutes is
- 7413 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 7414 1, 2009):
- 7415 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
- 7416 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
- 7417 Department of Economic and Community Development to make
- 7418 grants to the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut
- 7419 Economic Innovations Authority for deposit in the Investment and
- 7420 Loan Guaranty Fund to be used for the purpose of section 32-261. The
- 7421 terms and conditions of said grants shall be governed in accordance
- 7422 with a grant contract between the department and the authority.

- 7425 (a) As used in this section: (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut 7426 Development Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority] 7427 Authority, and (2) "financial institution" means an eligible financial 7428 institution, as defined in subsection (e) of section 32-23d, which is 7429 approved by the authority to participate in the program established by 7430 this section.
- 7431 (b) In order to stimulate and encourage the growth and 7432 development of the state economy, the Connecticut Capital Access 7433 Fund is created to provide portfolio insurance to participating financial 7434 institutions to assist them in making loans that are somewhat riskier 7435 than conventional loans. The insurance shall be based on a portfolio 7436 insurance mechanism applicable to loans enrolled by a financial 7437 institution in the program, rather than loans by loan guarantees. The 7438 state, acting through the [Connecticut Development Authority] 7439 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority, shall enter into a 7440 participation agreement with each financial institution approved to 7441 participate in the program. A participation agreement entered into by 7442 the authority and a financial institution shall establish a separate loan 7443 loss reserve account, owned and controlled by the [Connecticut 7444 Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations 7445 Authority, but earmarked to cover losses on loans enrolled by that 7446 financial institution in the program. A separate loan loss reserve 7447 account shall be established for each participating financial institution. 7448 Each time a financial institution enrolls a loan in the program, 7449 payments shall be made into the earmarked loan loss reserve account 7450 by the borrower, financial institution and the authority, in amounts 7451 consistent with the provisions of the participation agreement. The 7452 financial institution shall be allowed to recover the cost of its payment 7453 from the borrower.
- 7454 (c) To carry out the purposes of this section, the authority shall have

7455 those powers set forth in section 32-23. The authority shall also have 7456 the power to take all reasonable steps and exercise all available 7457 remedies necessary or desirable to protect the obligations or interests of the authority including, but not limited to, the purchase or 7458 7459 redemption in foreclosure proceedings, bankruptcy proceedings or in 7460 other judicial proceedings of any property on which it holds a 7461 mortgage or other lien or in which it has an interest, and for such 7462 purposes payment may be made from the Connecticut Capital Access 7463 Fund.

- (d) Approval of loans for which payments may be made into an account established under this section shall be within the sole discretion of the financial institution making the loan except that such loans shall comply with the requirements specified in the participation agreement.
- 7469 (e) The authority shall adopt written procedures in accordance with 7470 section 1-121 for implementing the program. Such written procedures 7471 shall include the form of participation agreement which shall set forth 7472 procedures for use of the program and the rights and responsibilities 7473 of participating financial institutions and the authority. The 7474 participation agreement shall require that loans enrolled in the 7475 program shall be for a business purpose in the state and shall not be 7476 used for residential housing, passive real estate ownership, an insider 7477 transaction or to refinance a prior loan by the financial institution 7478 which was not covered under the program, except that if new funds 7479 are provided to a borrower, an amount equal to the amount of the new 7480 funds may be covered under the program.
 - (f) (1) For the purposes described in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate five million dollars.
- 7486 (2) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the

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amount stated in subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be used by the
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grants to the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut
Economic Innovations Authority for deposit in the Connecticut Capital
Access Fund to be used for the purposes authorized under this section
and section 32-341.

(3) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 147. Section 32-266 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

As used in sections 32-266 to 32-284, inclusive:

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- 7519 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority; and 7520
- 7521 (2) "Regional corporation" means a corporation formed by three or 7522 more municipal development corporations, a regional economic 7523 development corporation or a regional community development 7524 corporation.
- 7525 Sec. 148. Subsection (b) of section 32-285 of the general statutes is 7526 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 7527 1, 2009):
- 7528 (b) As used in this section: (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut 7529 Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations 7530 Authority; and (2) "eligible project" means a large-scale economic 7531 development project (A) that may add a substantial amount of new 7532 economic activity and employment in the municipality in which it is to 7533 be located and surrounding areas, and may generate significant 7534 additional tax revenues in the state; (B) for which use of the tax 7535 incremental financing mechanism may be necessary to attract the 7536 project to locate in the state; (C) which is economically viable and self-7537 sustaining, taking into account the application of the proceeds of the 7538 bonds to be issued under the tax incremental financing program; (D) 7539 for which the direct and indirect economic benefits to the state and the 7540 municipality in which it will be located outweigh the costs of the 7541 project; and (E) which is consistent with the strategic development 7542 priorities of the state.
- 7543 Sec. 149. Section 32-341 of the general statutes is repealed and the 7544 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7545 (a) There is established within the [Connecticut Development 7546 Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority a small 7547 business assistance program under which the authority shall make 7548 loans and loan guarantees and provide equity equivalent capital to 7549 businesses in this state that employ not more than one hundred

- 7550 persons and are unable to obtain conventional financial assistance. The 7551 authority may establish criteria for such loans, including, but not 7552 limited to, whether such assistance would enable an applicant to create 7553 or retain jobs and whether the applicant exports goods or services out 7554 of the state.
- 7555 (b) The authority shall develop an accelerated application process 7556 for such program. No business may receive more than two hundred 7557 thousand dollars in loans, loan guarantees or equity equivalent capital 7558 under the program. Payments of principal and interest of loans under 7559 the program shall be made to the authority for deposit in the 7560 Connecticut Works Fund authorized under section 32-23ii. The 7561 authority is authorized for the purposes of this section to enter into 7562 contracts with financial institutions for the purpose of guaranteeing 7563 loans, participating in loans or participating in providing equity 7564 equivalent capital to businesses.
- 7565 Sec. 150. Subdivision (1) of section 32-500 of the general statutes is 7566 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 7567 1, 2009):
- 7568 (1) "Authority" means the [Connecticut Development Authority] 7569 Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority.
- 7570 Sec. 151. Section 32-503 of the general statutes is repealed and the 7571 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7572 [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut (a) 7573 Economic Innovations Authority shall establish an export division 7574 within the authority. The division shall, within available resources, 7575 provide: (1) Working capital loans to small and medium-sized 7576 companies which are unable to obtain export financing, (2) access for 7577 such companies to existing public and private export lenders and other 7578 export funding sources, including, but not limited to, transaction 7579 financing, letters of credit, equity investments and loan guarantees, 7580 and (3) technical assistance to such companies in obtaining such

financing. Such export division may give priority to assisting Connecticut businesses with regard to trade with African countries with whom the United States has diplomatic relations.

(b) On or before January 30, 1998, the authority shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to economic development on the progress of the authority in carrying out the purposes of this section, including a list of successful transactions.

Sec. 152. Section 32-609 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

With the concurrence of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State Treasurer, the Capital City Economic Development Authority may submit an application to the [Connecticut Development Authority Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority on behalf of the convention center project as defined in subdivision (3) of section 32-600, for a loan or loans consistent with the requirements of chapter 579 and the [Connecticut Development Authority is hereby authorized to Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority may review such application as a package for the purposes of its requirements, including eligibility for federal or state funding in addition to the financing applied for. Any loan by the [Connecticut Development Authority | Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority to the Capital City Economic Development Authority shall be evidenced by the general obligation bond of such authority, in fully marketable form, duly executed and accompanied by an approving legal opinion with respect to validity, security and tax matters as would otherwise be required in a public offering. Any loan with respect to the hotel or other portions of private investment pertaining to the convention center project shall be on such terms and conditions as the [Connecticut Development Authority] Connecticut Economic Innovations Authority requires to satisfy its eligibility for financing of a loan from the proceeds of its general obligation program bonds.

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- 7613 Sec. 153. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) As used in this section:
- 7614 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and 7615 Community Development;
- 7616 (2) "Taxpayer" means a person subject to tax under title 12 of the 7617 general statutes;
- 7618 (3) "New job" means a full-time job in this state which (A) did not 7619 exist in this state prior to a taxpayer's application to the commissioner 7620 for an eligibility certificate under subsection (c) of this section, and (B) 7621 is filled by a new employee;
- 7622 (4) "New employee" means a person hired by the taxpayer to fill a 7623 new job, not including a person who was employed in Connecticut by 7624 a related person with respect to the taxpayer during the prior twelve 7625 months or a person who is employed by the taxpayer if the taxpayer's 7626 total number of full-time employees in an income year decreases below 7627 the taxpayer's number of full-time employees at the time of the 7628 application under subsection (c) of this section;
 - (5) "Full-time job" means a job in which an employee is required to work at least thirty-five hours per week and does not include a temporary or seasonal job;
- 7632 (6) "Related person" means (A) a corporation, limited liability 7633 company, partnership, association or trust controlled by the taxpayer, 7634 (B) an individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, 7635 association or trust that is in control of the taxpayer, (C) a corporation, 7636 limited liability company, partnership, association or trust controlled 7637 by an individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, 7638 association or trust that is in control of the taxpayer, or (D) a member 7639 of the same controlled group as the taxpayer;
- 7640 (7) "Control", with respect to a corporation, means ownership, 7641 directly or indirectly, of stock possessing fifty per cent or more of the 7642 total combined voting power of all classes of the stock of such

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- (8) "Retained jobs" means the number of full-time jobs at a facility of a taxpayer situated in this state on a specific date preceding the date of an application pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, as such specific date and number are determined by the commissioner;
- 7657 (9) "Qualifying economic development project" means a new or 7658 expanded business facility in this state that (A) represents an 7659 investment of a minimum of five million dollars, and (B) will result in 7660 the creation of at least one hundred new jobs or the retention of two 7661 hundred fifty retained jobs;
 - (10) "Expanded business facility" means any business facility in this state, other than a new business facility, resulting from the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, installation or erection of improvements or additions to existing property if such improvements or additions are begun on or after July 1, 2009;
 - (11) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended;
- 7670 (12) "New business facility" means a business facility in this state 7671 which (A) is employed by a taxpayer in the conduct of a business, 7672 provided, a facility shall not be considered a new business facility in 7673 the hands of the taxpayer if the taxpayer's only activity with respect to

- 7674 such facility is to lease such facility to another person or persons, (B) is 7675 purchased by, or leased to, the taxpayer on or after July 1, 2009, and 7676 (C) was not purchased or leased by the taxpayer from a related person; 7677 and
- 7678 (13) "Qualified expenditures" means tangible personal property 7679 incorporated in the new or expanded business facility or equipment 7680 that is installed therein.
 - (b) There is established a sales and use tax relief program for qualified expenditures that are made for a qualifying economic development project. The goal of the program shall be to encourage economic development by granting sales tax relief to projects that generate new jobs or retain existing jobs.
 - (c) Any taxpayer who intends to develop a new or expanded business facility in this state may make application to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for approval of such project as a qualifying economic development project. Such application shall include the number of jobs to be created or retained and the time over which any new jobs will be created, a commitment to retain the created or retained jobs for at least five years, and an agreement to repay the sales tax refund if the jobs are not retained for the specified period.
 - (d) The commissioner shall determine whether: (1) The taxpayer making the application qualifies for the relief program, (2) (A) the proposed new jobs would provide a net benefit to economic development and employment opportunities in the state, or (B) the retained jobs represent employment that but for the incentive of the relief program it is unlikely that the taxpayer would be able to retain such employment in this state, and (3) the location or locations of the proposed new jobs conform to the state plan of conservation and development prepared pursuant to part I of chapter 297 of the general statutes. The commissioner may require the taxpayer to submit such additional information as may be necessary to evaluate the application.

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- (e) The commissioner, upon consideration of the application and any additional information the commissioner requires, may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, approve the application, in whole or in part, if the commissioner concludes that the state tax revenue generated from the proposed new jobs or retained jobs and the state tax revenue generated due to economic development and employment opportunities created in the state exceeds the state tax revenue loss from exempting the sales and use tax on the qualified expenditures with a five-year period.
- (f) If such application is approved, the commissioner shall issue an eligibility certificate designating such project as a qualified economic development project. Such certification will allow the taxpayer developing the project to obtain sales tax relief as provided in this section.
- (g) (1) The commissioner shall approve the total amount of qualified expenditures that are eligible to be purchased exempt from sales and use tax subject to the limitations set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- (2) (A) The taxpayer shall provide the commissioner with a written request to purchase tangible personal property that will qualify as qualified expenditures. The commissioner shall authorize such purchase and require the taxpayer to provide a detailed accounting of the purchases and the sales tax relief attributable to such purchases. (B) The aggregate amount of sales and use taxes that are exempted pursuant to this section shall not exceed (i) five thousand dollars for each new job, or (ii) two thousand dollars for each retained job. (C) If the amount of purchases made by the taxpayer represents sales and use tax savings in excess of the limitations in this subsection, the taxpayer shall immediately pay such excess amount to the state, which amount shall be treated as a sales and use tax liability of the taxpayer pursuant to chapter 219 of the general statutes.
- 7737 (h) If the taxpayer relocates its business operations outside the state

- within a ten-year period following the receipt of the benefits of the sales and use tax relief program, it shall agree to repay to the state a payment equal to the total amount of sales and use tax savings which actually accrued to the taxpayer plus an amount equal to seven and one-half per cent of such actual sales and use tax savings. As used in this subsection, "relocates" shall have the same meaning as in section 32-5a of the general statutes.
- 7745 (i) The aggregate amount of sales and use tax exempted pursuant to 7746 this section shall not exceed five million dollars in any fiscal year.
- 7747 (j) The commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of 7748 Revenue Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the 7749 provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, as may be necessary 7750 for the administration of this section.
- Sec. 154. Section 12-412 of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (119) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7753 (NEW) (119) Sales of tangible personal property treated as qualified 7754 expenditures by the Commissioner of Economic and Community 7755 Development pursuant to section 161 of this act.
- Sec. 155. Section 32-23h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7758 (a) The exercise of the powers granted by the authority legislation, 7759 as defined in subsection (hh) of section 32-23d, shall constitute the 7760 performance of an essential governmental function and the authority 7761 shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon or in 7762 respect of a project, or any property or moneys of the authority, levied 7763 by any municipality or political subdivision or special district having 7764 taxing powers of the state, nor shall the authority be required to pay 7765 state taxes of any kind, and the authority, its projects, property and 7766 moneys and any bonds and notes issued under the provisions of said 7767 chapters and sections, their transfer and the income therefrom,

including any profit made on the sale thereof, shall at all times be free from taxation of every kind by the state except for estate or succession taxes and by the municipalities and all other political subdivisions or special districts having taxing powers of the state; provided any person leasing a project from the authority shall pay to the municipality, or other political subdivision or special district having taxing powers, in which such project is located, a payment in lieu of taxes which shall equal the taxes on real and personal property, including water and sewer assessments, which such lessee would have been required to pay had it been the owner of such property during the period for which such payment is made and neither the authority nor its projects, properties, money or bonds and notes shall be obligated, liable or subject to lien of any kind for the enforcement, collection or payment thereof. [The sale of tangible personal property or services by the authority is exempt from the sales tax under chapter 219, and the storage, use or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property or services purchased from the authority is exempt from the use tax under chapter 219.] If and to the extent the proceedings under which the bonds authorized to be issued under the provisions of said chapters and sections so provide, the authority may agree to cooperate with the lessee of a project in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings for determining the validity or amount of such payments and may agree to appoint or designate and reserve the right in and for such lessee to take all action which the authority may lawfully take in respect of such payments and all matters relating thereto, provided such lessee shall bear and pay all costs and expenses of the authority thereby incurred at the request of such lessee or by reason of any such action taken by such lessee in behalf of the authority. Any lessee of a project which has paid the amounts in lieu of taxes required by this section to be paid shall not be required to pay any such taxes in which a payment in lieu thereof has been made to the state or to any such municipality or other political subdivision or special district having taxing powers, any other statute to the contrary notwithstanding. Any industrial pollution control

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- 7802 facility financed under said chapters and sections shall be subject to 7803 such approvals, as may be required by law, of any agency of the state 7804 and any agency of the United States having jurisdiction in the matter 7805 and, in the discretion of the authority, may be acquired, constructed or 7806 improved as part of or jointly with a pollution control facility 7807 undertaken by a municipality or political subdivision or special district 7808 having taxing powers in the state and the authority is authorized to 7809 cooperate and execute contracts with such a municipality or political subdivision or special district. 7810
- 7811 (b) On and after the effective date of this section, the Connecticut
- 7812 Economic Innovations Authority shall conclude all sales tax exemption
- 7813 agreements entered into by the Connecticut Development Authority.
- 7814 No new agreements shall be entered into and the program shall
- 7815 terminate on July 1, 2010.
- 7816 Sec. 156. Section 3-110f of the general statutes is repealed and the 7817 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7818 [Connecticut Commission on Culture Tourism]
- 7819 Department of Economic and Community Development may appoint
- 7820 a state poet laureate.
- 7821 Sec. 157. Section 3-110h of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 7822 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7823 There shall be an official state troubadour. The [Connecticut
- Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and 7824
- 7825 Community Development shall biennially designate a troubadour to
- 7826 serve in the position.
- 7827 Sec. 158. Section 3-110i of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 7828 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7829 Charles Edward Ives is designated as the composer of the state of
- 7830 Connecticut. There shall be a "Charles Edward Ives Memorial
- 7831 Composer Laureate of the state of Connecticut". The board of directors

7832 of the Charles Ives Center for the Arts, in consultation with the panel 7833 established under this section, may designate from time to time a 7834 composer who was born or is living in Connecticut to serve in the 7835 position of composer laureate. There is established a panel that shall 7836 meet from time to time to advise said board of directors on the 7837 designation of the composer laureate. The panel shall be comprised of 7838 eight members, one of whom shall be a representative of the 7839 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of 7840 Economic and Community Development, one of whom shall be a 7841 representative of the New Haven Symphony Orchestra, one of whom 7842 shall be a representative of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra, one of 7843 whom shall be a representative of the Yale University School of Music, 7844 one of whom shall be a representative of the Hartt School of Music of 7845 The University of Hartford, one of whom shall be a representative of 7846 The Charles Ives Society, Inc., one of whom shall be a representative of 7847 The University of Connecticut through its music department, and one 7848 of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut State University 7849 through the music department of Western Connecticut State 7850 University. Each member of the panel shall be selected by the entity 7851 that the member represents.

Sec. 159. Section 4-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

7854 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head" 7855 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, 7856 Commissioner of Administrative Services, Commissioner of Revenue 7857 Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and 7858 Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of 7859 Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, 7860 State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Management 7861 and Homeland Security, Commissioner of Environmental Protection, 7862 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health, 7863 Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Liquor Control 7864 Commission, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services,

- 7865 Commissioner of Public Safety, Commissioner of Social Services,
- 7866 Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor
- 7867 Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Public
- 7868 Works, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs, Commissioner of Health
- 7869 Care Access, Chief Information Officer, the chairperson of the Public
- 7870 Utilities Control Authority, the executive director of the Board of
- 7871 Education and Services for the Blind, [the executive director of the
- 7872 Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,] the Ombudsman
- 7873 for Property Rights and the executive director of the Office of Military
- 7874 Affairs. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means
- 7875 the Commissioner of Education.
- 7876 Sec. 160. Section 4-9a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 7877 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 7878 (a) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson and executive
- 7879 director, if any, of all boards and commissions within the Executive
- 7880 Department, except the Board of Governors of Higher Education,
- provided the Governor shall appoint the initial chairman of said board
- as provided in section 10a-2, the State Properties Review Board, the
- 7883 State Elections Enforcement Commission, the Commission on Human
- 7884 Rights and Opportunities, the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board, the
- 7885 Commission on Aging and the Commission on Fire Prevention and
- 7886 Control.
- 7887 (b) Public members shall constitute not less than one-third of the
- 7888 members of each board and commission within the Executive
- 7889 Department, except the Gaming Policy Board and the Commission on
- 7890 Human Rights and Opportunities. Public member means an elector of
- 7891 the state who has no substantial financial interest in, is not employed
- 7892 in or by, and is not professionally affiliated with, any industry,
- 7893 profession, occupation, trade or institution regulated or licensed by the
- 7894 relevant board or commission, and who has had no professional
- 7895 affiliation with any such industry, profession, occupation, trade or
- 7896 institution for three years preceding his appointment to the board or

commission. Except as otherwise specifically provided by the general statutes, this section shall not apply to the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, boards and commissions the membership of which is entirely composed of state department heads, elected officials or deputies appointed by such department heads or where the membership of such board or commission is determined in accordance with the provisions of any federal law.

- (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the term of each member of each board and commission within the executive branch, except the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of Higher Education, the Gaming Policy Board, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the State Properties Review Board, the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board, the Commission on Medicolegal Investigations, the Psychiatric Security Review Board, the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, the E 9-1-1 Commission, [the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,] the Commission on Aging and the board of trustees of each constituent unit of the state system of higher education, commencing on or after July 1, 1979, shall be coterminous with the term of the Governor or until a successor is chosen, whichever is later.
- (d) Each member of each board and commission within the executive branch shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority except where otherwise specifically provided by any provision of the general statutes.
- Sec. 161. Section 4-89 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) No officer, department, board, commission, institution or other agency of the state shall, after the close of any fiscal year, incur, or vote or order or approve the incurring of, any obligation or expenditure under any appropriation made by the General Assembly for any fiscal year that had expired at the time the obligation for such expenditure

was incurred. The Comptroller is authorized to draw warrants or process interdepartmental transactions against the available appropriations made for the current fiscal year for the payment of expenditures incurred during the prior fiscal year for which appropriations were made or in fulfillment of contracts properly made during such prior year, and the Treasurer is authorized to pay such warrants or record such interdepartmental transactions. The balances of certain appropriations which otherwise would lapse at the close of any fiscal year and for which no appropriation is made in the following year shall be extended into the succeeding fiscal year for the period of one month to permit liquidation of obligations of the prior fiscal year.

- (b) Except as provided in this section, all unexpended balances of appropriations made by the General Assembly in the state budget act shall lapse at the end of the period for which they have been made and shall revert to the unappropriated surplus of the fund from which such appropriation or appropriations were made, except that any appropriation for the improvement of or maintenance work by contract on public roads, for the purchase of land or the erection of buildings or new construction or for specific projects for capital improvements and repairs, provided in the case of such specific projects allotments shall have been made by the Governor for design and construction, shall continue to be available until the attainment of the object or the completion of the work for which such appropriation was made, but in no case for more than six years unless renewed by act of the General Assembly.
- (c) All unexpended balances of special appropriations made by the General Assembly for special programs, projects or studies shall lapse at the end of the period for which they have been made, except that if satisfied that the work of any such program, project or study is not completed and will continue during the following fiscal year, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall order any unexpended balance remaining in the special appropriation to be

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- (d) Any appropriation made by the General Assembly for no specific period, or any unexpended balance thereof, shall lapse on June thirtieth in the fourth year after such appropriation was made, provided when the purpose for which any such appropriation was made has been accomplished or there is no further need for funds thereunder, the unexpended balance thereof, upon the written consent of the head of the department, board, commission, institution or other agency to which such appropriation was made, shall lapse and shall revert to the unappropriated surplus of the fund from which such appropriation was made.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations for Department of Transportation equipment, the highway and planning research program administered by the Department of Transportation, Department of Environmental Protection equipment or the purchase of public transportation equipment, the minor capital improvement account in the Department of Public Works, the litigation/settlement account in the Office of Policy and Management, library or educational equipment for the constituent units of the state system of higher education, or library or educational materials for the State Library, or the state-wide tourism marketing account of the [Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development. Such appropriations shall not lapse until the end of the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year of the appropriation, provided an obligation to spend such funds has been incurred in the next preceding fiscal year, except that for the purposes of library or educational equipment or materials, such funds shall not exceed twenty-five per cent of the amount of the appropriation for such purposes.
- (f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations to the Department of Higher Education for student financial assistance for the scholarship program established under section 10a-169, for the

- (g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations to the Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired in an amount not greater than the amount of reimbursements of prior year expenditures for the services of interpreters received by the commission during the fiscal year pursuant to section 46a-33b and such appropriations shall not lapse until the end of the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year of the appropriation.
- (h) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations from the municipal solid waste recycling trust account established under subsection (d) of section 22a-241. Such appropriations shall not lapse.

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- Sec. 162. Section 4-124uu of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8032 (a) The [Office of Workforce Competitiveness] Department of 8033 Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the 8034 Labor Commissioner [, the Commissioners of Education and Economic 8035 and Community Development, and the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] and the Commissioner of Education, shall 8036 8037 establish a program that is designed to develop a trained workforce for 8038 the film industry in the state. Such program shall have three 8039 components: (1) An unpaid intern training program for high school 8040 and college students; (2) a production assistant training program open 8041 to any state resident; and (3) a workforce training program that would 8042 include classroom training, on-set training and a mentor program.
 - (b) Not later than ninety days after July 1, 2007, the Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall establish written participation guidelines for the program authorized under this section.
 - (c) Not later than January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, the Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall submit a status report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the establishment and operation of the program authorized under this section to the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, and higher education and employment advancement.
- Sec. 163. Section 4b-53 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8056 (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the

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following meanings: "State building" means any building or facility owned or leased by the state of Connecticut and open to the public or intended for such use, exclusive of any shed, warehouse, garage, building of a temporary nature or building located on the grounds of a correctional institution; "proposal development expenses" means the cost of preparing a detailed drawing, model or plan as determined by the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development; and "work of art" means art work which is to be an integrated part of such state building, including but not limited to, fresco, mosaic, sculpture and other architectural embellishment or functional art created by a professional artist, artisan or craftsperson, and any work of visual art which is not to be an integrated part of such state building, including but not limited to, a drawing, painting, sculpture, mosaic, photograph, work of calligraphy or work of graphic art or mixed media. Work of art as used in this section shall not include landscape architecture or landscape gardening.

(b) The State Bond Commission, in the allocation of proceeds of state bonds for purposes of construction, reconstruction or remodeling of any state building, shall allocate for works of art, with respect to each such project and for the purposes of subsection (c) of this section, an amount from such proceeds not less than one per cent of the total estimated cost of such construction, reconstruction or remodeling, exclusive of (1) the cost of any land acquisition, (2) any nonconstruction costs including the cost of such work of art, and (3) any augmentations to such cost, provided any such allocation for work of art as provided in this section must be approved, prior to authorization of such allocation by the State Bond Commission, by the Commissioner of Public Works in consultation with the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development. Such allocation may be used to reimburse any artist, artisan, craftsperson or person who creates a work of art, for proposal development expenses when the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community

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- (c) There is established within the General Fund a state building works of art account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. The moneys within said account shall be used (1) for the purchase of works of art from distinguished Connecticut artists, which shall be placed on public view in state buildings, (2) to establish a bank of major works of art, from which individual works of art may be circulated among state buildings, public art museums and nonprofit galleries, and (3) for repair of all works acquired under this section. The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Works, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, which shall (A) indicate the portion of the one per cent allocation under subsection (b) of this section, up to one quarter of such allocation, which shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to said account, (B) set forth the manner in which the moneys in said account shall be allocated and expended for the purposes of this subsection, and (C) establish procedures to ensure accountability in maintaining the integrity of such bank of works of art.
- (d) There is established a subaccount within the state buildings works of art account, established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, to be known as the "maintenance account" to be used solely for the conservation, repair and cleaning of artworks commissioned and purchased for state buildings pursuant to this section. The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development shall determine what percentage of the one per cent allocation pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, up to ten per cent of such allocation, to credit to said

8124 subaccount.

- 8125 (e) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] 8126 Department of Economic and Community Development shall, with 8127 respect to a work of art in any project under subsection (b) of this section, be responsible for the selection of any artist, artisan or 8128 8129 craftsperson, review of any design or plan, and execution, completion, 8130 acceptance and placement of such work of art, provided any work of 8131 art to be located in any building under the supervision, security, 8132 utilization and control of the Joint Committee on Legislative 8133 Management shall be approved by said committee. The Commissioner 8134 of Public Works, in consultation with said commission, (1) shall be 8135 responsible for the contractual arrangements with any such artist, 8136 artisan or craftsperson, and (2) shall adopt regulations concerning 8137 implementation of the purposes of subsection (b) of this section and 8138 this subsection.
- Sec. 164. Section 4b-60 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8141 (a) There shall be a State Commission on Capitol Preservation and 8142 Restoration to consist of twelve members to be appointed as follows: 8143 Two members shall be appointed by the Governor, two by the speaker 8144 of the House of Representatives, two by the president pro tempore of 8145 the Senate, one by the House minority leader, one by the Senate 8146 minority leader, two members of the Joint Committee on Legislative 8147 Management, one appointed by each of the chairmen of said 8148 committee, and [one member of the Connecticut Commission on 8149 Culture and Tourism appointed by its chairman] the Commissioner of 8150 Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's 8151 designee. The Commissioner of Public Works shall be an ex-officio 8152 member of the commission and shall attend its meetings. Vacancies on 8153 the commission shall be filled by the original appointing authority for 8154 the unexpired portion of the term. The members shall serve without 8155 compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for their actual

and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The commission shall meet at least quarterly, and more often on the call of the chairman or on the written request of a majority of the members. The commission may designate subcommittees to carry out its functions. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned.

- (b) The commission: (1) Shall undertake a continuing review and study of the State Capitol building and grounds, with a view to developing a master plan for the preservation and restoration of the Capitol, including necessary structural changes, consistent with the original historical character of the building, with due regard being given to enhancing the interior and exterior beauty of the building, making better use of existing space and reducing public safety hazards; (2) may consult with state, federal or private agencies with respect thereto, and disseminate information on its activities; and (3) shall report on its activities to the Joint Committee on Legislative Management annually or as often as the committee shall direct. The Department of Administrative Services shall provide professional staff assistance to the commission when available. If such assistance cannot be provided within a reasonable time, the commission may, with the approval of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, retain technical advisors to assist in reviewing project plans and work.
- (c) The commission is authorized to accept gifts, donations and grants from the federal government or other public or private sources for the purpose of such preservation and restoration.
- (d) The Joint Committee on Legislative Management may undertake capital expenditure programs for which capital funds are authorized, in connection with such preservation and restoration. Such programs shall be carried out by the committee, pursuant to plans and specifications approved by the commission and in accordance with the bidding procedures in part II of chapter 60. The commission shall

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- adopt regulations establishing basic artistic standards in keeping with the original historical character of the Capitol to assist the committee in the preparation of plans and specifications.
- 8191 (e) The commission shall be an independent body within the 8192 Legislative Department for administrative purposes only.
- Sec. 165. Section 4b-64 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8195 Each state department, institution or agency intending to dispose of, 8196 demolish or transfer ownership of any structure more than fifty years 8197 old shall notify the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] 8198 Department of Economic and Community Development of such intent 8199 ninety days before the disposition, demolition or transfer. The 8200 department, institution or agency, not more than one hundred twenty 8201 days and not less than thirty days before such disposition, demolition 8202 or transfer, shall publish notice of its intent three times in a newspaper 8203 of general circulation in the municipality in which such structure is 8204 located and shall post a sign stating its intent in a conspicuous place on 8205 the property on which such structure is located not less than thirty 8206 days before the disposition, demolition or transfer.
- Sec. 166. Section 4b-66a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8209 (a) There is established a Connecticut Capitol Center Commission. 8210 The commission shall consist of (1) the Secretary of the Office of Policy 8211 and Management, or the secretary's designee; (2) the Commissioner of 8212 Public Works, or the commissioner's designee; (3) the Commissioner of 8213 Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's 8214 designee; (4) [the executive director of the Connecticut Commission on 8215 Culture and Tourism, or the executive director's designee; (5)] one 8216 member appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; 8217 [(6)] (5) one member appointed by the president pro tempore of the 8218 Senate; [(7)] (6) one member appointed by the majority leader of the

- 8219 House of Representatives; [(8)] (7) one member appointed by the
- 8220 majority leader of the Senate; [(9)] (8) one member appointed by the
- 8221 minority leader of the House of Representatives; [(10)] (9) one member
- 8222 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; [(11)] (10) the
- 8223 chairperson of the Hartford Commission on the City Plan; [(12)] (11)
- one member appointed by the mayor of the city of Hartford; and [(13)]
- 8225 (12) one member from the South Downtown Neighborhood
- 8226 Revitalization Committee.
- 8227 (b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
- 8228 secretary's designee, shall serve as chairperson of the commission. The
- 8229 chairperson shall schedule the first meeting of the commission which
- shall be held no later than sixty days after October 1, 2001.
- 8231 (c) The commission shall review the master plan for the
- 8232 development of the Connecticut Capitol Center in Hartford and make
- 8233 recommendations in accordance with section 4b-66.
- Sec. 167. Section 5-198 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 8235 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8236 The offices and positions filled by the following-described
- 8237 incumbents shall be exempt from the classified service:
- 8238 (a) All officers and employees of the Judicial Department;
- (b) All officers and employees of the Legislative Department;
- 8240 (c) All officers elected by popular vote;
- 8241 (d) All agency heads, members of boards and commissions and
- 8242 other officers appointed by the Governor;
- (e) All persons designated by name in any special act to hold any
- 8244 state office;
- 8245 (f) All officers, noncommissioned officers and enlisted men in the
- 8246 military or naval service of the state and under military or naval

- 8247 discipline and control;
- (g) (1) All correctional wardens, as provided in section 18-82, and (2)
- 8249 all superintendents of state institutions, the State Librarian, the
- 8250 president of The University of Connecticut and any other
- 8251 commissioner or administrative head of a state department or
- institution who is appointed by a board or commission responsible by
- statute for the administration of such department or institution;
- (h) The State Historian appointed by the State Library Board;
- 8255 (i) Deputies to the administrative head of each department or
- 8256 institution designated by statute to act for and perform all of the duties
- 8257 of such administrative head during such administrative head's absence
- 8258 or incapacity;
- 8259 (j) Executive assistants to each state elective officer and each
- 8260 department head, as defined in section 4-5, provided each position of
- 8261 executive assistant shall have been created in accordance with section
- 8262 5-214;
- (k) One personal secretary to the administrative head and to each
- 8264 undersecretary or deputy to such head of each department or
- 8265 institution provided any classified employee whose position is affected
- by this subsection shall retain classified status in such position;
- 8267 (l) All members of the professional and technical staffs of the
- 8268 constituent units of the state system of higher education, as defined in
- 8269 section 10a-1, of all other state institutions of learning, of the
- 8270 Department of Higher Education, and of the agricultural experiment
- 8271 station at New Haven, professional and managerial employees of the
- 8272 Department of Education and teachers certified by the State Board of
- 8273 Education and employed in teaching positions at state institutions;
- 8274 (m) Physicians, dentists, student nurses in institutions and other
- professional specialists who are employed on a part-time basis;

- 8276 (n) Persons employed to make or conduct a special inquiry, 8277 investigation, examination or installation;
- 8278 (o) Students in educational institutions who are employed on a part-8279 time basis;
- 8280 (p) Forest fire wardens provided for by section 23-36;
- 8281 Patients or inmates of state institutions who receive 8282 compensation for services rendered therein;
- 8283 (r) Employees of the Governor including employees working at the 8284 executive office, official executive residence at 990 Prospect Avenue, 8285 Hartford and the Washington D.C. office;
- 8286 (s) Persons filling positions expressly exempted by statute from the 8287 classified service:
- 8288 (t) Librarians employed by the State Board of Education or any 8289 constituent unit of the state system of higher education;
- 8290 (u) Employees in the senior executive service;
- 8291 (v) All officers and employees of the Division of Criminal Justice;
- 8292 (w) One executive assistant to the chairman of the Office of Health 8293 Care Access, provided such position shall have been created in 8294 accordance with section 5-214:
- 8295 (x) Professional employees of the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services 8296 in the Department of Social Services;
- 8297 (y) Lieutenant colonels in the Division of State Police within the 8298 Department of Public Safety appointed on or after June 6, 1990, and 8299 majors in the Division of State Police within the Department of Public 8300 Safety appointed on or after July 1, 1999;
- 8301 (z) The Deputy State Fire Marshal in the Division of Fire,

- 8303 Safety;
- 8304 (aa) The chief administrative officer of the Workers' Compensation
- 8305 Commission;
- 8306 (bb) Employees in the education professions bargaining unit;
- 8307 (cc) Disability policy specialists employed by the Council on
- 8308 Developmental Disabilities; and
- 8309 (dd) The director for digital media and motion picture activities in
- the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of
- 8311 Economic and Community Development.
- Sec. 168. Section 7-147a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8314 (a) As used in this part: "Altered" means changed, modified, rebuilt,
- 8315 removed, demolished, restored, razed, moved or reconstructed;
- 8316 "erected" means constructed, built, installed or enlarged; "exterior
- 8317 architectural features" means such portion of the exterior of a structure
- 8318 or building as is open to view from a public street, way or place;
- 8319 "building" means a combination of materials forming a shelter for
- 8320 persons, animals or property; "structure" means any combination of
- 8321 materials, other than a building, which is affixed to the land, and shall
- 8322 include, but not be limited to, signs, fences and walls; "municipality"
- 8323 means any town, city, borough, consolidated town and city or
- 8324 consolidated town and borough; "appropriate" means not incongruous
- 8325 with those aspects of the historic district which the historic district
- 8326 commission determines to be historically or architecturally significant.
- 8327 (b) Any municipality may, by vote of its legislative body and in
- 8328 conformance with the standards and criteria formulated by the
- 8329 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of
- 8330 <u>Economic and Community Development</u>, establish within its confines
- 8331 an historic district or districts to promote the educational, cultural,

- architecture of the municipality, of the state or of the nation.
- 8336 (c) The legislative body of any municipality may make 8337 appropriations for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this 8338 part.
- Sec. 169. Section 7-147c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) Once an historic district has been established, the historic district study committee shall cease to exist and thereafter an historic district commission shall perform all the functions of the committee relative to the new district and to administering the provisions of this part.
 - (b) The historic district commission may from time to time, by following the procedure for creation of an historic district provided for in section 7-147b, suggest that an historic district be enlarged or that additional districts be created. Where additional property is to be included within an existing district, the owners of such additional property shall vote pursuant to subsection (g) of section 7-147b.
 - (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7-147b, the legislative body of the municipality may enact amendments to the ordinance or ordinances of an historic district established pursuant to this part if such amendments do not involve changing district boundaries or the creation of new districts. No amendment shall be enacted until the substance of such amendment has first been submitted to the historic district commission having jurisdiction over the district affected for its comments and recommendations and either its comments and recommendations have been received or sixty-five days have elapsed without receipt of such comments and recommendations. The historic district commission may suggest amendments to the legislative body.

- The historic district commission established under the provisions of this part shall consist of five regular and three alternate members, who shall be electors of the municipality in which the district is situated holding no salaried municipal office. The ordinance shall provide that one or more of the members or alternates of the historic district commission shall reside in an historic district under the jurisdiction of the commission, if any persons reside in any such district and are willing to serve on such commission. Such alternate members shall, when seated as provided in this section, have all powers and duties of a member of the commission. If a regular member of said commission is absent or has a conflict of interest, the chairman of the commission shall designate an alternate to so act, choosing alternates in rotation so that they shall act as nearly equal a number of times as possible. If any alternate is not available in accordance with such rotation, such fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. The method of appointment shall be fixed by ordinance. The appointments to membership in the commission shall be so arranged that the term of at least one member shall expire each year, and their successors shall be appointed in like manner for terms of five years. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term and in the same manner as the original appointment. The commission shall elect annually a chairman, a vice-chairman and a clerk from its own number. Each member and alternate shall continue in office until his successor is duly appointed. All members and alternates shall serve without compensation. Any member or alternate may be appointed for another term or terms.
- (e) The historic district commission shall adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of this part. The commission may adopt regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this part to provide guidance to property owners as to factors to be considered in preparing an application for a certificate of appropriateness.
- (f) The historic district commission shall keep a permanent record of its resolutions, transactions and determinations and of the vote of each

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8395 member participating therein.

- 8396 (g) A copy of any ordinance creating an historic district adopted 8397 under authority of this part, amendments to any such ordinance, maps 8398 of any districts created under this part, annual reports and other 8399 publications of the historic district commission and the roster of 8400 membership of such commission shall be transmitted to the 8401 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of 8402 Economic and Community Development. The historic district 8403 commission shall also file with the [Connecticut Commission on 8404 Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community 8405 Development at least once every year a brief summary of its actions 8406 during that year, including a statement of the number and nature of 8407 certificates of appropriateness issued, any changes in the membership 8408 of the commission and any other information deemed appropriate by 8409 the historic district commission.
- (h) The historic district commission may accept grants and gifts, employ clerical and technical assistance or consultants and incur other expenses appropriate to the carrying on of its work, subject to appropriation by the municipality or receipt of such grants or gifts and may expend the same for such purposes.
- 8415 (i) A municipality which has more than one historic district may 8416 establish more than one historic district commission if the districts are 8417 not contiguous.
 - (j) Any historic district commission established under this section may, unless prohibited by charter, ordinance or special act: (1) Make periodic reports to the legislative body; (2) provide information to property owners and others involving the preservation of the district; (3) suggest pertinent legislation; (4) initiate planning and zoning proposals; (5) cooperate with other regulatory agencies and civic organizations and groups interested in historic preservation; (6) comment on all applications for zoning variances and special exceptions where they affect historic districts; (7) render advice on

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- 8427 sidewalk construction and repair, tree planting, street improvements 8428 and the erection or alteration of public buildings not otherwise under 8429 its control where they affect historic districts; (8) furnish information 8430 and assistance in connection with any capital improvement program 8431 involving historic districts; (9) consult with groups of experts.
- 8432 Sec. 170. Section 7-147j of the general statutes is repealed and the 8433 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8434 (a) Nothing in this part shall be construed to prevent the ordinary 8435 maintenance or repair of any exterior architectural feature in the 8436 historic district which does not involve a change in the appearance or 8437 design thereof; nor to prevent the erection or alteration of any such 8438 feature which the building inspector or a similar agent certifies is 8439 required by the public safety because of a condition which is unsafe or 8440 dangerous due to deterioration; nor to prevent the erection or 8441 alteration of any such feature under a permit issued by a building 8442 inspector or similar agent prior to the effective date of establishment of 8443 such district.
 - (b) If a building in an historic district is to be demolished, no demolition shall occur for ninety days from issuance of a demolition permit if during such time the historic district commission or the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development is attempting to find a purchaser who will retain or remove such building or who will present some other reasonable alternative to demolition. During such ninetyday period the municipality may abate all real property taxes. At the conclusion of such ninety-day period, the demolition permit shall become effective and the demolition may occur. Nothing in this section shall be construed to mandate that the owner of such property sell such property or building.
- 8456 Sec. 171. Section 7-147p of the general statutes is repealed and the 8457 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

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- 8458 (a) As used in this part: "Historic property" means any individual 8459 building, structure, object or site that is significant in the history, 8460 architecture, archaeology and culture of the state, its political 8461 subdivisions or the nation and the real property used in connection therewith; "altered" means changed, modified, rebuilt, removed, 8462 8463 demolished, restored, razed, moved or reconstructed; "erected" means 8464 constructed, built, installed or enlarged; "exterior architectural 8465 features" means such portion of the exterior of a structure or building 8466 as is open to view from a public street, way or place; "building" means 8467 a combination of materials forming a shelter for persons, animals or 8468 property; "structure" means any combination of materials, other than a 8469 building, which is affixed to the land, and shall include, but not be 8470 limited to, signs, fences and walls; "municipality" means any town, 8471 city, borough, consolidated town and city or consolidated town and 8472 borough.
 - (b) Any municipality may, by ordinance and in conformance with the standards and criteria formulated by the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, designate within its confines an historic property or properties to promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the public through the preservation and protection of the distinctive characteristics of individual buildings and places associated with the history of or indicative of a period or style of architecture of the municipality, of the state or of the nation.
- 8482 (c) The legislative body of any municipality may make 8483 appropriations for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this 8484 part.
- 8485 Sec. 172. Section 7-147q of the general statutes is repealed and the 8486 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8487 Prior to the designation of an historic property or properties, the 8488 following steps shall be taken:

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- (a) The legislative body shall appoint or authorize the chief elected official of the municipality to appoint an historic properties study committee for the purpose of making an investigation of one or more proposed historic properties. The legislative body of a municipality which proposes to establish more than one historic property may establish more than one committee. An already existing historic properties commission or an historic district commission established in the municipality pursuant to part I of this chapter may be appointed to make this investigation. Each committee established under the provisions of this section shall consist of five regular and three alternate members who shall be electors of the municipality holding no salaried municipal office. Such alternate members shall, when seated as provided in this section, have all powers and duties of a member of the committee. If a regular member of such committee is absent or has a conflict of interest, the chairman of the committee shall designate an alternate to so act, choosing alternates in rotation so that they shall act as nearly equal a number of times as possible. If any alternate is not available in accordance with such rotation, such fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- (b) The historic properties study committee shall investigate and submit a report which shall include the following: (1) An analysis of the historic significance and architectural merit of the buildings, structures, objects or sites proposed as historic properties; (2) a map showing the exact boundaries of the area to be designated as the historic property or properties; (3) a proposed ordinance or proposed ordinances designed to designate and provide for the protection of an historic property or properties in accordance with the provisions of this part; and (4) such other matters as the committee may deem necessary or advisable.
- (c) The historic properties study committee shall transmit copies of its report to the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, the planning commission and zoning commission, or the combined planning and

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zoning commission, of the municipality, if any, and, in the absence of such a planning commission, zoning commission or combined planning and zoning commission, to the chief elected official of the municipality for their comments and recommendations. In addition to such other comments and recommendations as it may make, the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development may recommend either approval, disapproval, modification, alteration or rejection of the proposed ordinance or ordinances and of the boundaries of each proposed historic property. Each such commission, board or individual shall deliver such comments and recommendations to the committee within sixty-five days of the date of transmission of such report. Failure to deliver such comments and recommendations shall be taken as approval of the report of the committee.

- (d) The historic properties study committee shall hold a public hearing on the designation of each proposed historic property not less than sixty-five nor more than one hundred thirty days after the transmission of the report to each party as provided in subsection (c) of this section, except that, if all such parties have delivered their comments and recommendations to the committee, such hearing may be held less than sixty-five days after the transmittal of the report. The comments and recommendations received pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be read in full at the public hearing.
- (e) Notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be given as follows: (1) Written notice of the time, place and purpose of such hearing, postage prepaid, shall be mailed by certified mail to the owner or owners of record of the real property to be included in each proposed historic property, as they appear on the last-completed grand list, at the addresses shown thereon, at least fifteen days before the time set for such hearing, together with a copy of the report of the historic properties study committee or a fair and accurate synopsis of such report. A complete copy of the report, a copy of all recommendations made under subsection (c) of this section, a map

showing the boundaries of the real property to be included in each proposed historic property and a copy of the proposed ordinance shall be available at no charge from the town clerk during business hours or shall be mailed, upon request, to any owner of record of real property in the proposed historic property or properties with the notice of the hearing; and (2) by publication of such notice in the form of a legal advertisement appearing in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the municipality at least twice, at intervals of not less than two days, the first not more than fifteen days nor less than ten days and the last not less than two days before such hearing.

- (f) The historic properties study committee shall submit its report with any changes made following the public hearing, along with any comments or recommendations received pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and such other materials as the committee may deem necessary or advisable to the legislative body of the municipality within sixty-five days after the public hearing.
- (g) The owner or owners of record of a proposed historic property may object to the proposed designation by submitting to the historic properties study committee or to the legislative body of the municipality a notarized statement certifying that the person filing such objection is the entire or partial owner of the property and objects to the designation. Unless persons holding fifty per cent or more of the ownership interest in a proposed historic property object to the proposed designation within thirty days following the public hearing held pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, the legislative body of the municipality shall, by majority vote, take one of the following steps: (1) Accept the report of the committee as to the proposed historic property and enact an ordinance to designate the historic property and provide for its regulation in accordance with the provisions of this part; (2) reject the report of the committee, stating its reasons for such rejection; or (3) return the report to the historic properties study committee, with such amendments and revisions as it may deem advisable, for consideration by the committee. The committee shall,

within sixty-five days of such return, submit an amended report to the legislative body and mail by certified mail a copy of the amended report to the owner or owners of record of each proposed historic property covered by the report. The committee need not hold a public hearing other than the one provided for in subsection (d) of this section. Unless persons holding fifty per cent or more of the ownership interest in a proposed historic property object to the proposed designation within thirty days of receipt of the amended report by written submission in the manner set forth in this subsection, the legislative body of the municipality may accept or reject the amended report as provided in this subsection.

(h) Any ordinance, or amendment thereof, enacted pursuant to this part, which designates or alters historic property boundaries, shall contain a legal description of the area to be included within each historic property. The legislative body, when it passes such an ordinance, or amendment thereof, shall transmit to the municipal clerk a copy of the ordinance or amendment thereof. Such ordinance, or amendment thereof, shall be recorded in the land records of the municipality in which such real property is located and indexed by the municipal clerk in the grantor index under the names of the owners of record of such property.

Sec. 173. Section 7-147y of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) Nothing in this part shall be construed to prevent the ordinary maintenance or repair of any exterior architectural feature within the boundaries of an historic property which does not involve a change in the appearance or design thereof; nor to prevent the erection or alteration of any such feature which the building inspector or a similar agent certifies is required by the public safety because of a condition which is unsafe or dangerous due to deterioration; nor to prevent the erection or alteration of any such feature under a permit issued by a building inspector or similar agent prior to designation of such historic

8620 property.

8621 (b) If a building within the boundaries of an historic property is to 8622 be demolished, no demolition shall occur for ninety days from 8623 issuance of a demolition permit if during such time the historic 8624 properties commission or the [Connecticut Commission on Culture 8625 and Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development 8626 is attempting to find a purchaser who will retain or remove such 8627 building or who will present some other reasonable alternative to 8628 demolition. During such ninety-day period the municipality may abate 8629 all real property taxes. At the conclusion of such ninety-day period, the 8630 demolition permit shall become effective and the demolition may 8631 occur. Nothing in this section shall be construed to mandate that the 8632 owner of such property is under any obligation to sell such property or 8633 building.

Sec. 174. Section 10-382 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

8636 There is established a Native American Heritage Advisory Council 8637 to evaluate and make recommendations on the Native American 8638 heritage to the State Archaeologist and the [Connecticut Commission 8639 on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community 8640 <u>Development</u>. Such council shall consist of the following members: 8641 One representing each of the following Indian tribes, appointed by the 8642 The Schaghticoke, the Paucatuck Eastern Pequot, 8643 Mashantucket Pequot, the Mohegan and the Golden Hill Paugussett; 8644 one representing the Indian Affairs Council, appointed by the 8645 chairperson of the council; one representing the Commissioner of 8646 Environmental Protection, appointed by said commissioner; one 8647 representing the Archaeological Society of Connecticut, appointed by 8648 the president pro tempore of the Senate; and three who are 8649 knowledgeable in Native American history, traditions 8650 archaeology, one appointed by the speaker of the House of 8651 Representatives, one appointed by the minority leader of the House of

- Representatives and one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.
- Sec. 175. Section 10-385 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism]

 Department of Economic and Community Development shall adopt
 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 for the
 establishment, care, use and management of sites or lands designated
 as state archaeological preserves pursuant to section 10-384.
- (b) On and after the effective date of designation of sites or lands as a state archaeological preserve, no person may conduct any archaeological investigation, initiate construction or demolition activities or undertake any other activity which would endanger the archaeological integrity or sacred importance of such preserve without complying with the provisions of section 10-386 except if the commission declares an emergency.
- Sec. 176. Section 10-386 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8670 (a) No person may conduct an archaeological investigation on state 8671 lands or on a state archaeological preserve without a permit from the 8672 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of 8673 Economic and Community Development. Any such permit shall be 8674 issued with the concurrence of the State Archaeologist. The applicant 8675 shall submit an application on such form as the [commission] 8676 department may prescribe and with such information as the 8677 commission, after consultation with the State Archaeologist and the 8678 advisory council established pursuant to section 10-382, deems 8679 necessary, including, but not limited to, the time, scope, location and 8680 specific purpose of the proposed research. The applicant shall submit 8681 (1) evidence satisfactory to the commission of qualifications to perform 8682 the excavation, including evidence of experience, training and

- 8683 knowledge; (2) an excavation plan for the site satisfactory to the 8684 commission which includes provisions on the method of excavation 8685 and (3) a written statement that upon completion of the excavation the applicant shall submit a report of the investigation which shall include 8687 a description of archaeological artifacts discovered and relevant maps, 8688 documents, drawings and photographs. No permit shall be issued for 8689 an investigation that would disturb a known Native American 8690 cemetery, burial site or other sacred site without the review of the advisory council established pursuant to section 10-382. Failure to 8692 comply with the terms of a permit issued under this section shall be 8693 grounds to deny a subsequent permit.
- 8694 (b) The [commission] department shall adopt regulations in 8695 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 establishing procedures 8696 for the issuance of permits required under this section. Such 8697 regulations shall be developed with the concurrence of the State 8698 Archaeologist.
- 8699 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the [commission] 8700 <u>department</u>, in consultation with the State Archaeologist, may 8701 authorize an archaeological investigation without a permit if time for 8702 investigation is limited.
- 8703 (d) The applicant shall pay the cost of reburial of any human 8704 skeletal remains discovered in accordance with the terms and 8705 conditions of a permit issued under this section.
- 8706 Sec. 177. Section 10-387 of the general statutes is repealed and the 8707 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8708 Each state department, institution and agency shall review, in 8709 consultation with the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and 8710 Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development, 8711 their policies and practices for consistency with the preservation and 8712 study of the state's archaeological sites and sacred lands and sites. 8713 Such review shall include preparation of an evaluation document

- which specifies projects and programs requiring detailed consultation
- 8715 to identify and protect archaeological sites and sacred lands and sites.
- 8716 Any project submitted to the commission for review under the
- 8717 provisions of sections 22a-1a to 22a-1f, inclusive, is exempt from the
- 8718 provisions of this section.
- Sec. 178. Section 10-388 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 8720 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8721 (a) Any person who knows or reasonably believes that any human
- burials or human skeletal remains are being or about to be disturbed,
- destroyed, defaced, removed or exposed shall immediately notify the
- 8724 Chief Medical Examiner and State Archaeologist of such fact. If human
- burials or human skeletal remains are encountered during construction
- 8726 or agricultural, archaeological or other activity that might alter,
- 8727 destroy or otherwise impair the integrity of such burials or remains,
- 8728 the activity shall cease and not resume unless authorized by the Chief
- 8729 Medical Examiner and the State Archaeologist provided such
- 8730 authorization shall be made within five days of completion of the
- investigation of the Chief Medical Examiner pursuant to subsection (b)
- 8732 of this section.
- 8733 (b) After notification under subsection (a) of this section, the Chief
- 8734 Medical Examiner shall determine if the remains represent a human
- 8735 death required to be investigated under section 19a-406. After
- 8736 completion of his investigation, if the Chief Medical Examiner
- 8737 determines that the remains may be the remains of a Native American
- 8738 or were found in the subsurface and buried for more than fifty years,
- 8739 the Chief Medical Examiner shall notify the State Archaeologist of such
- 8740 fact. The State Archaeologist, upon such notification, shall in
- 8741 consultation with the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and
- 8742 Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development, the
- 8743 Native American Heritage Advisory Council, established under
- 8744 section 10-382, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, and the
- 8745 landowner determine, within seventy-two hours, if the site where such

8746 remains were discovered can be preserved in situ and protected by a 8747 preservation restriction as defined in section 47-42a.

- 8748 (c) If in situ preservation is not prudent and feasible or not agreed to 8749 by the landowner, the State Archaeologist, upon consultation with the 8750 landowner and, if appropriate, the Native American Heritage 8751 Advisory Council, the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and 8752 Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development, and 8753 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall, if feasible, 8754 provide for removal and reburial of the remains at another location or 8755 for additional archaeological investigations and scientific analysis 8756 prior to reburial. Any excavation and recovery of remains by the State 8757 Archaeologist shall be completed not more than five business days 8758 after notification by the Chief Medical Examiner under this section 8759 unless the landowner consents to additional days.
- 8760 (d) Human skeletal remains discovered during archaeological investigation shall be excavated under the supervision of the State 8761 8762 Archaeologist, pursuant to a written agreement between the State 8763 Archaeologist and the holder of the permit specifying the excavation, 8764 methods to be used and data to be collected. Due care shall be 8765 exercised during excavation, subsequent transport and storage of 8766 skeletal remains to insure that the sacred meanings of the remains for 8767 Native Americans are respected and protected.
 - (e) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require the owner of private lands on which human skeletal remains are found to pay the costs of excavation, removal analysis or reburial of such remains.
- 8772 Sec. 179. Section 10-389 of the general statutes is repealed and the 8773 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8774 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7-67 and 7-69, the 8775 State Archaeologist, in consultation with the [Connecticut Commission 8776 on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community

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- 8777 Development, the Native American Heritage Advisory Council 8778 established under section 10-382, the Commissioner of Environmental 8779 Protection and the archaeological community, shall adopt regulations 8780 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 establishing 8781 procedures for the storage, analysis and reburial of human skeletal 8782 remains discovered during an archaeological investigation.
- 8783 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall designate 8784 state lands for use as sites for the reburial of Native American human 8785 skeletal remains. Such sites shall be deemed sacred lands and 8786 designated as state archaeological preserves in accordance with section 8787 10-384.
- 8788 (c) Any such human remains discovered on and after October 1, 8789 1989, shall be reburied. The State Archaeologist, the Native American 8790 Heritage Advisory Council and the Commissioner of Environmental 8791 Protection shall jointly determine the contents and organization of 8792 each reburial ceremony for Native Americans.
- 8793 Sec. 180. Section 10-391 of the general statutes is repealed and the 8794 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8795 On or before January 1, 1991, the [Connecticut Commission on 8796 Culture and Tourism Department of Economic and Community 8797 Development, in consultation with the State Archaeologist, the Native 8798 American Heritage Advisory Council established under section 10-382 8799 and the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, shall develop 8800 procedures to inventory Native American burial sites and cemeteries. 8801 Such procedures shall provide for the availability of the inventory to 8802 state agencies, departments and institutions.
- 8803 Sec. 181. Section 10-392 of the general statutes is repealed and the 8804 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8805 (a) The General Assembly finds and declares that culture, history, 8806 the arts and the digital media and motion picture and tourism

- 8807 industries contribute significant value to the vitality, quality of life and 8808 economic health of Connecticut. [and therefore there is established the 8809 Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism.] The Connecticut 8810 Humanities Council and the Connecticut Trust for Historic 8811 Preservation shall operate in conjunction with the [commission] 8812 Department of Economic and Community Development for purposes 8813 of joint strategic planning, annual reporting on appropriations and 8814 fiscal reporting. The [purpose of the commission] department shall [be 8815 to] enhance and promote culture, history, the arts and the tourism and 8816 digital media and motion picture industries in Connecticut.
- 8817 (b) The [commission] <u>Department of Economic and Community</u> 8818 <u>Development</u> shall:
 - (1) Market and promote Connecticut as a destination for leisure and business travelers through the development and implementation of a strategic state-wide marketing plan and provision of visitor services to enhance the economic impact of the tourism industry;
- 8823 (2) Promote the arts;

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- 8824 (3) Recognize, protect, preserve and promote historic resources;
- 8825 (4) Interpret and present Connecticut's history and culture;
- (5) Promote Connecticut as a location in which to produce digital media and motion pictures and to establish and conduct business related to the digital media and motion picture industries to enhance these industries' economic impact in the state;
- (6) Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and each fiscal year thereafter, prepare and submit to the Office of Policy and Management, in accordance with sections 4-77 and 4-77a, budget expenditure estimates and recommended adjustments for the next succeeding fiscal year or years and a detailed accounting of expenditures for the prior fiscal year, a copy of which shall be submitted to the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions

- 8837 of section 11-4a;
- 8838 (7) Establish a uniform financial reporting system and forms to be
- 8839 used by each regional tourism district, established under section 10-
- 8840 397, in the preparation of the annual budget submitted to the General
- 8841 Assembly;
- (8) Integrate funding and programs whenever possible; and
- 8843 (9) On or before January 1, 2005, and biennially thereafter, develop
- 8844 and submit to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance
- with section 11-4a, a strategic plan to implement subdivisions (1) to (5),
- 8846 inclusive, of this subsection.
- 8847 (c) Any proposals for projects under the jurisdiction of the
- 8848 [commission] department and projects proposed by the Connecticut
- 8849 Humanities Council that require funding through the issuance of
- 8850 bonds by the State Bond Commission, in accordance with sections 13b-
- 8851 74 to 13b-77, inclusive, shall be submitted to the [Connecticut
- 8852 Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and
- 8853 Community Development. The [commission] department shall review
- such proposals and submit any project that it believes has merit to the
- 8855 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
- 8856 of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding with the
- 8857 commission's recommendation for funding.
- 8858 (d) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism]
- 8859 Department of Economic and Community Development shall be a
- 8860 successor agency to the State Commission on the Arts, the Connecticut
- 8861 Historical Commission, the Office of Tourism, the Connecticut
- 8862 Tourism Council, the Connecticut Film, Video and Media Commission
- 8863 and the Connecticut Film, Video and Media Office in accordance with
- the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.
- [(e) Wherever the words "State Commission on the Arts",
- 8866 "Connecticut Historical Commission", "Office of Tourism",

- 8867 "Connecticut Film, Video and Media Office" and "Connecticut
- 8868 Commission on Arts, Tourism, Culture, History and Film" are used in
- 8869 the following sections of the general statutes, or in any public or
- 8870 special act of the 2003 or 2004 session the words "Connecticut
- 8871 Commission on Culture and Tourism" shall be substituted in lieu
- 8872 thereof: 3-110f, 3-110h, 3-110i, 4-9a, 4b-53, 4b-60, 4b-64, 4b-66a, 7-147a,
- 8873 7-147b, 7-147c, 7-147j, 7-147p, 7-147q, 7-147y, 8-2j, 10-382, 10-384, 10-
- 8874 385, 10-386, 10-387, 10-388, 10-389, 10-391, 10a-111a, 10a-112, 10a-112b,
- 8875 10a-112g, 11-6a, 12-376d, 13a-252, 19a-315b, 19a-315c, 22a-1d, 22a-19b,
- 8876 25-102qq, 25-109q, 29-259 and 32-6a.
- 8877 (f) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the
- 8878 provisions of this section, make such technical, grammatical and
- 8879 punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this
- 8880 section.]
- 8881 Sec. 182. Section 10-397 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 8882 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8883 (a) There are established five regional tourism districts, each of
- 8884 which shall promote and market districts as regional leisure and
- 8885 business traveler destinations to stimulate economic growth. The
- 8886 districts shall be as follows:
- 8887 (1) The eastern regional district, which shall consist of Ashford,
- 8888 Bozrah, Brooklyn, Canterbury, Chaplin, Colchester, Columbia,
- 8889 Coventry, East Lyme, Eastford, Franklin, Griswold, Groton, Hampton,
- 8890 Killingly, Lebanon, Ledyard, Lisbon, Lyme, Mansfield, Montville, New
- 8891 London, North Stonington, Norwich, Old Lyme, Plainfield, Pomfret,
- 8892 Preston, Putnam, Salem, Scotland, Sprague, Sterling, Stonington,
- 8893 Thompson, Union, Voluntown, Waterford, Willington, Windham and
- 8894 Woodstock;
- 8895 (2) The central regional district, which shall consist of Andover,
- 8896 Avon, Berlin, Bloomfield, Bolton, Canton, Chester, Cromwell, Deep
- 8897 River, East Granby, East Haddam, East Hampton, East Hartford, East

- 8898 Windsor, Ellington, Enfield, Essex, Farmington, Glastonbury, Granby,
- 8899 Haddam, Hartford, Hebron, Manchester, Marlborough, Meriden,
- 8900 Middletown, New Britain, Newington, Old Saybrook, Plainville,
- 8901 Portland, Rocky Hill, Somers, South Windsor, Southington, Simsbury,
- 8902 Stafford, Suffield, Tolland, Vernon, Windsor Locks, West Hartford,
- 8903 Westbrook, Wethersfield and Windsor;
- 8904 (3) The northwestern regional district, which shall consist of
- 8905 Ansonia, Barkhamsted, Beacon Falls, Bethel, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,
- 8906 Bristol, Brookfield, Burlington, Canaan, Colebrook, Cornwall,
- 8907 Danbury, Derby, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield,
- 8908 Middlebury, Morris, Naugatuck, New Fairfield, New Hartford, New
- 8909 Milford, Newtown, Norfolk, North Canaan, Oxford, Plymouth,
- 8910 Prospect, Redding, Ridgefield, Roxbury, Salisbury, Seymour, Sharon,
- 8911 Sherman, Southbury, Thomaston, Torrington, Warren, Washington,
- 8912 Waterbury, Watertown, Winchester, Wolcott and Woodbury;
- 8913 (4) The south central regional district, which shall consist of
- 8914 Bethany, Branford, Cheshire, Clinton, Durham, East Haven, Guilford,
- 8915 Hamden, Killingworth, Madison, Middlefield, Milford, Orange, New
- 8916 Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Wallingford, West Haven and
- 8917 Woodbridge;
- 8918 (5) The southwestern regional district, which shall consist of
- 8919 Bridgeport, Darien, Easton, Fairfield, Greenwich, New Canaan,
- 8920 Monroe, Norwalk, Shelton, Stamford, Stratford, Trumbull, Weston,
- 8921 Westport and Wilton.
- 8922 (b) Each regional tourism district shall be overseen by a board of
- 8923 directors consisting of one representative from each municipality
- 8924 within the district, appointed by the legislative body of the
- 8925 municipality and, where the legislative body is a town meeting, by the
- 8926 board of selectmen. Any such member of a board of directors shall
- serve for a term of three years. In addition, the board of directors may
- 8928 appoint up to twenty-one persons representing tourism interests
- 8929 within the district to serve on the board. No board member shall be

- deemed a state employee for serving on said board. All appointments 8930 8931 to the board of directors shall be reported to the [executive director of 8932 the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of 8933 Economic and Community Development.
- 8934 (c) The provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in 8935 section 1-200, shall apply to each regional tourism district.
- 8936 (d) Not later than October 1, 2003, the [commission] department 8937 shall assist each regional tourism district in establishing a committee to 8938 draft a charter and bylaws for the regional tourism district and to 8939 organize the initial meeting of the board of directors of the district, to 8940 be held no later than October 15, 2003.

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- (e) Each regional tourism district shall (1) comply with uniform standards for accounting and reporting expenditures that are established by the [commission] department in accordance with section 10-392 and are based on industry accounting standards developed by the International Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus or other national organizations related to tourism, and (2) on or before January first of each year, submit to the [commission] department, the Office of Policy and Management and the Office of Fiscal Analysis an independent audit in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-230 to 4-236, inclusive.
 - (f) Each regional tourism district shall solicit and may accept private funds for the promotion of tourism within its towns and cities and shall coordinate its activities with any private nonprofit tourist association within the district and within this state, that promotes tourism industry businesses in this state, in order to foster cooperation in the promotion of such businesses. Any funds received by a regional tourism district may be deposited in the account established in section 10-395 or in an account established by such tourism district to receive such funds.
- 8960 Sec. 183. Section 10-397a of the general statutes is repealed and the

- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 8962 (a) As used in this section:
- 8963 (1) ["Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture 8964 and Tourism created by section 10-392] "Department" means the
- 8965 Department of Economic and Community Development;
- 8966 (2) ["Executive director" means the executive director of the
- 8967 Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism appointed pursuant
- 8968 to section 10-393] "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of
- 8969 Economic and Community Development;
- 8970 (3) "Former tourism district" means the tourism districts, as defined
- 8971 in section 32-302 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
- 8972 January 1, 2003; and
- 8973 (4) "Regional tourism district" means one of the five regional
- 8974 tourism districts created by section 10-397.
- 8975 (b) Any former tourism district having a cash surplus, after
- 8976 accounting for all liabilities, may distribute such surplus to the
- 8977 regional tourism district or districts serving the towns formerly served
- 8978 by such district. Any distribution shall be divided among the new
- 8979 district or districts in accordance with the following schedule:

T1	Former District	New District(s)
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T4	Northeastern	Eastern (100%)
T5	Southeastern	Eastern (100%)
T6	North Central	Central (100%)
T7	Greater Hartford	Central (95%)
T8		Northwestern (5%)
T9	Central Connecticut	Central (80%)

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T10		South Central (20%)
T11	Connecticut Valley	Central (60%)
T12		South Central (40%)
T13	Greater New Haven	South Central (67%)
T14		Northwestern (20%)
T15		Southwestern (13%)
T16	Litchfield Hills	Northwestern (100%)
T17	Housatonic Valley	Northwestern (100%)
T18	Greater Waterbury	Northwestern (100%)
T19	Greater Fairfield	Southwestern (100%)

- (c) Any former tourism district may, with the approval of the [executive director] <u>commissioner</u>, transfer noncash assets, including fixed assets and leases, to a regional tourism district or districts serving the towns formerly served by such district.
- (d) Any regional tourism district may, by vote of its board of directors and with the approval of the [commission] department, assume the liabilities of a former tourism district that served all or part of the area served by the new district. No such assumption shall be approved unless (1) the regional district's approved budget makes provision for the costs arising from the assumption of liability; and (2) the [commission] department finds that the proposed assumption of liability is fair and equitable.
- Sec. 184. Section 10-401 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - [The Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] <u>Subject to the availability of funds, the Department of Economic and Community Development</u>, established under section 10-392, shall establish and administer a "special incentive grant program" to provide financial assistance for artistic and cultural programs and activities pursuant to subdivision (2) of section 10-400. No state funds appropriated to the [commission] <u>department</u> for the purposes of said program shall be

- 9001 disbursed unless one-third of the amount of such financial assistance 9002 consists of nonfederal funds raised and received by said [commission] 9003 department.
- 9004 Sec. 185. Section 10-416b of the general statutes is repealed and the 9005 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9006 (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the 9007 following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another 9008 meaning:
- 9009 (1) ["Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture 9010 and Tourism established pursuant to section 10-392] "Department" 9011 means the Department of Economic and Community Development;
- (2) "Certified historic structure" means an historic commercial or 9012 9013 industrial property that: (A) Is listed individually on the National or 9014 State Register of Historic Places, or (B) is located in a district listed on 9015 the National or State Register of Historic Places, and has been certified 9016 by the commission as contributing to the historic character of such 9017 district;
- 9018 (3) "Certified rehabilitation" means any rehabilitation of a certified 9019 historic structure for mixed residential and nonresidential uses 9020 consistent with the historic character of such property or the district in 9021 which the property is located as determined by regulations adopted by 9022 the commission;
- 9023 (4) "Owner" means any person, firm, limited liability company, 9024 nonprofit or for-profit corporation or other business entity which 9025 possesses title to an historic structure and undertakes the rehabilitation 9026 of such structure;
- 9027 (5) "Placed in service" means that substantial rehabilitation work has 9028 been completed which would allow for issuance of a certificate of 9029 occupancy for the entire building or, in projects completed in phases, 9030 for individual residential units that are an identifiable portion of the

9031 building;

- (6) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means any costs incurred for the physical construction involved in the rehabilitation of a certified historic structure for mixed residential and nonresidential uses where at least thirty-three per cent of the total square footage of the rehabilitation is placed into service for residential use, excluding: (A) The owner's personal labor, (B) the cost of a new addition, except as required to comply with any provision of the State Building Code or the State Fire Safety Code, and (C) any nonconstruction cost such as architectural fees, legal fees and financing fees;
 - (7) "Rehabilitation plan" means any construction plans and specifications for the proposed rehabilitation of a certified historic structure in sufficient detail for evaluation by compliance with the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section; and
 - (8) "Substantial rehabilitation" or "substantially rehabilitate" means the qualified rehabilitation expenditures of a certified historic structure that exceed twenty-five per cent of the assessed value of such structure.
 - (b) (1) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources, requirements and purposes of this section for owners rehabilitating certified historic structures.
 - (2) The credit authorized by this section shall be available in the tax year in which the substantially rehabilitated certified historic structure is placed in service. In the case of projects completed in phases, the tax credit shall be prorated to the substantially rehabilitated identifiable portion of the building placed in service. If the tax credit is more than the amount owed by the taxpayer for the year in which the substantially rehabilitated certified historic structure is placed in service, the amount that is more than the taxpayer's tax liability may be carried forward and credited against the taxes imposed for the

succeeding five years or until the full credit is used, whichever occurs first.

- (3) Any credits allowed under this section that are provided to multiple owners of certified historic structures shall be passed through to persons designated as partners, members or owners, pro rata or pursuant to an agreement among such persons designated as partners, members or owners documenting an alternative distribution method without regard to other tax or economic attributes of such entity. Any owner entitled to a credit under this section may assign, transfer or convey the credits, in whole or in part, by sale or otherwise to any individual or entity and such transferee shall be entitled to offset the tax imposed under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 as if such transferee had incurred the qualified rehabilitation expenditure.
- (c) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall develop standards for the approval of rehabilitation of certified historic structures for which a tax credit voucher is sought. Such standards shall take into account whether the rehabilitation of a certified historic structure will preserve the historic character of the building.
- (d) The [commission] <u>department</u> shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall include provisions for the filing of applications, rating criteria and for timely approval by the commission.
- (e) Prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on a certified historic structure, the owner shall submit (1) a rehabilitation plan to the [commission] department for a determination of whether or not such rehabilitation work meets the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, (2) an estimate of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures, and (3) for projects pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, (A) the number of units of affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a, to be created, (B) the proposed rents or sale prices of such units, and (C) the median income for the municipality where the project is

located. In the case of a project pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section the owner shall submit a copy of data required under subdivision (3) of this subsection to the [Department of Economic and Community Development] department.

(f) If the [commission] department certifies that the rehabilitation plan conforms to the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, the commission shall reserve for the benefit of the owner an allocation for a tax credit equivalent to (1) twenty-five per cent of the projected qualified rehabilitation expenditures, or (2) for rehabilitation plans submitted pursuant to subsection (e) of this section on or after June 14, 2007, thirty per cent of the projected qualified rehabilitation expenditures if (A) at least twenty per cent of the units are rental units and qualify as affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a, or (B) at least ten per cent of the units are individual homeownership units and qualify as affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a. No tax credit shall be allocated for the purposes of this subdivision unless an applicant has submitted to the commission a certificate from the [Department of Economic and Community Development | department pursuant to subsections (k) and (l) of this section confirming that the project complies with affordable housing requirements under section 8-39a.

(g) Following the completion of rehabilitation of a certified historic structure, the owner shall notify the [commission] <u>department</u> that such rehabilitation has been completed. The owner shall provide the [commission] <u>department</u> with documentation of work performed on the certified historic structure and shall submit certification of the costs incurred in rehabilitating the certified historic structure. The [commission] <u>department</u> shall review such rehabilitation and verify its compliance with the rehabilitation plan. Following such verification, the [commission] <u>department</u> shall issue a tax credit voucher to the owner rehabilitating the certified historic structure or to the taxpayer named by the owner as contributing to the rehabilitation. The tax credit voucher shall be in an amount equivalent to the lesser of

- the tax credit reserved upon certification of the rehabilitation plan under the provisions of subsection (f) of this section or (1) twenty-five per cent of the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures, or (2) for projects including affordable housing pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, thirty per cent of the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures. In order to obtain a credit against any state tax due that is specified in subsection (h) of this section, the holder of the tax credit voucher shall file the voucher with the holder's state tax return.
- (h) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a tax credit to a taxpayer holding the tax credit voucher issued under subsections (e) to (i), inclusive, of this section against any tax due under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 in the amount specified in the tax credit voucher. Such taxpayer shall submit the voucher and the corresponding tax return to the Department of Revenue Services.
 - (i) The [commission] <u>department</u> may charge an application fee in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars to cover the cost of administering the program established pursuant to this section.
 - (j) The aggregate amount of all tax credits which may be reserved by the [Commission on Culture and Tourism] <u>Department of Economic and Community Development</u> upon certification of rehabilitation plans under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section shall not exceed fifty million dollars for the fiscal three-year period beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2011, inclusive, and each fiscal three-year period thereafter. No project may receive tax credits in an amount exceeding ten per cent of such aggregate amount.
 - (k) On or before October 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, the [Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development shall report the total amount of historic preservation tax credits and affordable housing tax credits reserved for the previous fiscal year under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly

having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and to finance, revenue and bonding. Each such report shall include the following information for each project for which tax credit has been reserved: (1) The total project costs, (2) the value of the tax credit reservation for the purpose of historic preservation, (3) a statement whether the reservation is for mixed-use and if so, the proportion of the project that is not residential, and (4) the number of residential units to be created, and, for affordable housing reservations, the value of the reservation and percentage of residential units that will qualify as affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a.

- (l) (1) If the total amount of such tax credits reserved in the first fiscal year of a fiscal three-year period is more than sixty-five per cent of the aggregate amount of tax credits reserved under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section, then no additional reservation shall be allowed for the second fiscal year of such fiscal three-year period unless the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and to finance, revenue and bonding each vote separately to authorize continuance of tax credit reservations under the program.
- (2) If the total amount of such credits reserved in the second year of a fiscal three-year period exceeds ninety per cent of the aggregate amount of tax credits reserved under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section, then no additional reservation shall be allowed for the third fiscal year of such fiscal three-year period unless the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and to finance, revenue and bonding each vote separately to authorize the continuance of tax credit reservations under the program.
- 9187 (3) Any tax credit reservations issued before a suspension of 9188 additional tax credit reservations under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this 9189 subsection shall remain in place.
- 9190 Sec. 186. Section 10-417 of the general statutes is repealed and the

- 9191 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9192 (a) With respect to digital media and motion picture activities, the 9193 [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of
- 9194 Economic and Community Development, established under section 10-
- 9195 392, shall have the following powers and duties:
- 9196 (1) To promote the use of Connecticut locations, structures, facilities 9197 and services for the production and postproduction of all digital media
- 9198 and motion pictures and other media-related products;
- 9199 (2) To provide support services to visiting and in-state production 9200 companies, including assistance to digital media and motion picture 9201 producers in securing permits from state agencies, authorities or
- 9202 institutions or municipalities or other political subdivisions of the
- 9203 state;
- 9204 (3) To develop and update a resource library concerning the many possible state sites which are suitable for production;
- 9206 (4) To develop and update a production manual of available digital 9207 media and motion picture production facilities and services in the 9208 state:
- 9209 (5) To conduct and attend trade shows and production workshops 9210 to promote Connecticut locations and facilities;
- 9211 (6) To prepare an explanatory guide showing the impact of relevant 9212 state and municipal tax statutes, regulations and administrative 9213 opinions on typical production activities and to implement the tax
- 9214 credits provided for in section 12-217jj;
- 9215 (7) To formulate and propose guidelines for state agencies for a "one 9216 stop permitting" process for matters including, but not limited to, the 9217 use of state roads and highways, the use of state-owned real or 9218 personal property for production activities and the conduct of 9219 regulated activities, and to hold workshops to assist state agencies in

- 9220 implementing such process;
- (8) To formulate and recommend to municipalities model local ordinances and forms to assist production activities, including, but not limited to, "one stop permitting" of digital media and motion picture and other production activity to be conducted in a municipality, and to hold workshops to assist municipalities in implementing such ordinances;
- 9227 (9) To accept any funds, gifts, donations, bequests or grants of funds 9228 from private and public sources for the purposes of this section;
- 9229 (10) To request and obtain from any state agency, authority or 9230 institution or any municipality or other political subdivision of the 9231 state such assistance and data as will enable the commission to carry 9232 out the purposes of this section;
- 9233 (11) To assist and promote cooperation among all segments of 9234 management and labor that are engaged in digital media and motion 9235 pictures;
 - (12) To take any other administrative action which may improve the position of the state's digital media and motion picture production industries in national and international markets.
 - (b) On or before January 15, 2008, and biennially thereafter, the commission shall submit to the General Assembly, in accordance with section 11-4a, a report on the activities of the [commission] department under this section and the estimated direct and indirect economic impact of all digital media, motion pictures and related production activity in the state, during the preceding calendar years. Each such report shall also include an analysis of the impact on the state of each qualified production, as defined in section 12-217jj.
- 9247 Sec. 187. Section 10-418 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

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Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, each state agency, department or institution issuing a request for proposals for any digital media, motion picture or related production activity shall, at the time of such issuance, transmit a copy of such request for proposals to the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development. Said [commission] <u>department</u> shall notify the executive head of each state agency of the requirements of this section.

- 9257 Sec. 188. Section 10-425 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) Not later than October 1, 2008, the [executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall establish a Sports Advisory Board within the [commission] department that shall advise the [executive director] commissioner on the most effective ways to utilize state resources to promote, attract and market in-state professional and amateur sports and sporting events. Such board shall also advise the [executive director] commissioner on ways to coordinate the use of state-owned facilities in order to enhance sports-related tourism in the state and develop methods for the dissemination of information concerning in-state professional and amateur sports and sporting events to residents of the state and the northeast.
 - (b) Such advisory board shall consist of one member from each of the following entities: (1) The University of Connecticut's Athletic Department; (2) the Connecticut State University System's Athletic Department; (3) the XL Center; (4) Northland AEG; (5) the Traveler's Championship Golf Tournament; (6) the Pilot Pen Tennis Tournament; (7) the Special Olympics; (8) the Mohegan Sun Arena; (9) Foxwoods Resort Casino; (10) Lime Rock Park Race Track; (11) the Arena at Harbor Yard; (12) New Britain Stadium; (13) the Connecticut Marine Trades Association; (14) the Office of Policy and Management; (15) [the Department of Economic and Community Development; (16)] the

- 9281 Capital City Economic Development Authority; [(17)] (16) the Nutmeg
- 9282 State Games; [(18)] (17) the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic
- 9283 Conference; [(19)] (18) Fairfield University; [(20)] (19) Quinnipiac
- 9284 University; [(21)] (20) Sacred Heart University; [(22)] (21) any other
- 9285 entity involved in sports or sporting events that the executive director
- 9286 deems appropriate; [(23)] (22) the Connecticut State Golf Association;
- 9287 and [(24)] (23) Dodd Stadium.
- 9288 (c) The first meeting of the Sports Advisory Board shall convene not
- 9289 later than November 15, 2008, and the advisory board shall meet not
- less than once per calendar quarter thereafter. The advisory board shall
- 9291 provide any recommendations of the advisory board to the [executive
- 9292 director] commissioner not later than thirty days after any such
- 9293 meeting.
- 9294 (d) The members of the advisory board may select a chairperson
- 9295 from among its membership who shall be responsible for the
- 9296 scheduling and conducting of any such meeting.
- 9297 (e) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism]
- 9298 Department of Economic and Community Development shall provide
- 9299 staff support to the board.
- 9300 (f) Not later than thirty days prior to each regular session of the
- 9301 General Assembly, the [executive director of the Connecticut
- 9302 Commission on Culture and Tourism] Commissioner of Economic and
- 9303 <u>Community Development</u> shall submit a report to the joint standing
- 9304 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 9305 relating to commerce that includes information on the status of the
- 9306 Sports Advisory Board's activities, the implementation of any
- 9307 recommendations of such advisory board and any legislative
- 9308 proposals related to such recommendations.
- 9309 Sec. 189. Section 10a-111a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 9310 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- 9311 (a) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut, shall appoint an appropriate history scholar to serve as State Historian, who shall serve at the pleasure of the board of trustees.
- (b) The State Historian shall: (1) [Be a member of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, established pursuant to section 10-392, (2)] edit or supervise the editing and publication of the public records of the state, [(3)] (2) provide information and advice to members of the government at all levels, [(4)] (3) assist the State Board of Education in efforts to promote the teaching of history in schools and teacher preparation programs, [(5)] (4) respond to requests for advice from historical societies, [(6)] (5) respond to requests for information on the state's history, [(7)] (6) make public appearances and addresses on the state's history, [(8)] (7) prepare bibliographies and other research aids relating to the history of the state, and [(9)] (8) promote by appropriate informative and educational programs the celebration or commemoration of significant historical events.
 - Sec. 190. Section 10a-112 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) Until such time as a State Archaeologist is appointed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the trustees of The University of Connecticut shall designate a member of the faculty of said university to serve as State Archaeologist, who shall serve without additional compensation. He shall conduct research in the ethnohistory of the Indians of this region and of their archaeology, and shall cooperate with agencies of this state and of the federal government and with private individuals and corporations in an effort to protect and preserve archaeological remains which are threatened with destruction or loss by the construction of dams or highways or otherwise.
 - (b) The Board of Directors of the State Museum of Natural History shall appoint a State Archaeologist and staff for the Office of Archaeology established pursuant to section 10a-112a. The State Archaeologist shall have the following powers and duties: (1) To

9343 supervise the care and study of the archaeological collection of the 9344 State Museum of Natural History; (2) to coordinate (A) the 9345 archaeological salvage of properties threatened with destruction, (B) 9346 public and private archaeological research and the encouragement of 9347 the highest possible standards in archaeological investigations, and (C) 9348 the preservation of native American and other human osteological 9349 remains and cemeteries with the [Connecticut Commission on Culture 9350 and Tourism Department of Economic and Community Development, 9351 the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, the Indian Affairs Council 9352 and other state agencies; (3) to conduct research on the state's 9353 prehistory and history and disseminate the results of such research 9354 through publications and other means; (4) to educate the public about 9355 the significance and fragility of archaeological resources; (5) to respond 9356 to inquiries about the state's archaeological resources; and (6) to 9357 maintain comprehensive site files and maps.

Sec. 191. Section 10a-112b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) The Board of Directors of the State Museum of Natural History shall consist of the following: The Commissioners of Education, Environmental Protection, [and] Agriculture and Economic and <u>Community Development</u> or their designees, [the director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, or his designee] and not more than eleven members appointed by the president of The University of Connecticut, of which seven shall be professors, at least one from each of the following fields: Anthropology or archaeology, geology, vertebrate biology, invertebrate biology, botany, systematic biology and any other field the president deems appropriate. The terms of one-third of the initial appointments shall expire one year after the date of such appointment; the terms of one-third shall expire two years after the date of such appointment and the terms of onethird shall expire three years after the date of such appointment. The president shall appoint members to succeed members whose terms expire. Such members shall serve for a term of three years. Members

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- 9376 shall be eligible for reappointment.
- 9377 (b) The board shall annually elect a chairman and other officers.
- 9378 Sec. 192. Section 10a-112g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9380 (a) The William Benton Museum of Art, The University of 9381 Connecticut shall be the State Museum of Art. The museum shall 9382 collect, preserve and research works of art and prepare public exhibits 9383 at the museum and educational exhibits and programs that may be 9384 used by colleges, universities, schools, libraries, institutions, 9385 appropriate state agencies or other public organizations.
- 9386 (b) There is established an advisory committee to advise the 9387 president of The University of Connecticut with respect to the policies, 9388 collections, programs, activities and operations of the State Museum of 9389 Art. The advisory committee shall consist of eleven members as 9390 follows: The Commissioner of Education and the Commissioner of 9391 Higher Education, or their designees; two members of the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and 9392 9393 Community Development appointed by [said commission] its 9394 commissioner; and seven persons nominated by the president of The 9395 University of Connecticut and appointed by the Governor, one of 9396 whom shall be a member of the board of trustees of the university, one 9397 of whom shall be an alumnus of the university and five of whom shall 9398 be private citizens representing various geographic areas of the state 9399 and widely known for their knowledge, competence and experience in 9400 connection with the visual arts. The advisory committee shall elect a 9401 member who is a private citizen as its chairperson.
- 9402 Sec. 193. Section 11-6a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (a) The State Library Board shall establish and operate the RaymondE. Baldwin Museum of Connecticut History and Heritage to acquire,

9406 preserve, and exhibit collections and artifacts that interpret the state's 9407 culture and heritage and to provide public programs and activities.

- 9408 (b) There is established an advisory committee to advise the State 9409 Library Board with respect to the policies, collections, programs, 9410 activities and operations of the Raymond E. Baldwin Museum of 9411 Connecticut History and Heritage. The advisory committee shall 9412 consist of eight members as follows: The [executive director of the 9413 Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Commissioner of 9414 Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's 9415 designee; the executive director of the Connecticut Historical Society; 9416 the State Historian; and five persons appointed by the Governor, three 9417 of whom shall be experienced museum professionals.
- 9418 (c) The State Librarian shall, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, 9419 appoint an assistant who shall be the director of the Raymond E. 9420 Baldwin Museum of Connecticut History and Heritage. The director 9421 shall be a qualified and experienced museum professional.
- 9422 Sec. 194. Section 12-217jj of the general statutes is repealed and the 9423 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9424 (a) As used in this section:
- 9425 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services.
- 9426 (2) ["Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture 9427 and Tourism] "Department" means the Department of Economic and 9428 Community Development.
- 9429 (3) (A) "Qualified production" means entertainment content created 9430 in whole or in part within the state, including motion pictures; 9431 documentaries; long-form, specials, mini-series, series, sound recordings, videos and music videos and interstitials television 9432 9433 programming; interactive television; interactive games; videogames; 9434 commercials; infomercials; any format of digital media, including an 9435 interactive web site, created for distribution or exhibition to the

general public; and any trailer, pilot, video teaser or demo created primarily to stimulate the sale, marketing, promotion or exploitation of future investment in either a product or a qualified production via any means and media in any digital media format, film or videotape, provided such program meets all the underlying criteria of a qualified production.

- (B) "Qualified production" shall not include any ongoing television program created primarily as news, weather or financial market reports, a production featuring current events, sporting events, an awards show or other gala event, a production whose sole purpose is fundraising, a long-form production that primarily markets a product or service, a production used for corporate training or in-house corporate advertising or other similar productions, or any production for which records are required to be maintained under 18 USC 2257 with respect to sexually explicit content.
- (4) "Eligible production company" means a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or other business entity engaged in the business of producing qualified productions on a one-time or ongoing basis, and qualified by the Secretary of the State to engage in business in the state.
 - (5) "Production expenses or costs" means all expenditures clearly and demonstrably incurred in the state in the development, preproduction, production or postproduction costs of a qualified production, including:
 - (A) Expenditures incurred in the state in the form of either compensation or purchases including production work, production equipment not eligible for the infrastructure tax credit provided in section 12-217kk, production software, postproduction work, postproduction equipment, postproduction software, set design, set construction, props, lighting, wardrobe, makeup, makeup accessories, special effects, visual effects, audio effects, film processing, music, sound mixing, editing, location fees, soundstages and any and all other

costs or services directly incurred in connection with a state-certified qualified production;

- (B) Expenditures for distribution, including preproduction, production or postproduction costs relating to the creation of trailers, marketing videos, commercials, point-of-purchase videos and any and all content created on film or digital media, including the duplication of films, videos, CDs, DVDs and any and all digital files now in existence and those yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; the purchase, by a company in the state, of any and all equipment relating to the duplication or mass market distribution of any content created or produced in the state by any digital media format which is now in use and those formats yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; and
- (C) "Production expenses or costs" does not include the following:

 (i) On and after January 1, 2008, compensation in excess of fifteen million dollars paid to any individual or entity representing an individual, for services provided in the production of a qualified production; (ii) media buys, promotional events or gifts or public relations associated with the promotion or marketing of any qualified production; (iii) deferred, leveraged or profit participation costs relating to any and all personnel associated with any and all aspects of the production, including, but not limited to, producer fees, director fees, talent fees and writer fees; (iv) costs relating to the transfer of the production tax credits; and (v) any amounts paid to persons or businesses as a result of their participation in profits from the exploitation of the qualified production.
- (6) "Sound recording" means a recording of music, poetry or spoken-word performance, but does not include the audio portions of dialogue or words spoken and recorded as part of a motion picture, video, theatrical production, television news coverage or athletic event.
- 9498 (7) "State-certified qualified production" means a qualified production produced by an eligible production company that (A) is in

compliance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (g) of this section, (B) is authorized to conduct business in this state, and (C) has been approved by the commission as qualifying for a production tax credit under this section.

- (8) "Interactive web site" means a web site, the production costs of which (A) exceed five hundred thousand dollars per income year, and (B) is primarily (i) interactive games or end user applications, or (ii) animation, simulation, sound, graphics, story lines or video created or repurposed for distribution over the Internet. An interactive web site does not include a web site primarily used for institutional, private, industrial, retail or wholesale marketing or promotional purposes, or which contains obscene content.
- (9) "Post-certification remedy" means the recapture, disallowance, recovery, reduction, repayment, forfeiture, decertification or any other remedy that would have the effect of reducing or otherwise limiting the use of a tax credit provided by this section.
- (b) (1) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development shall administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources, requirements and purposes of this section for eligible production companies producing a state-certified qualified production in the state. For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, any eligible production company incurring production expenses or costs in excess of fifty thousand dollars shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter equal to thirty per cent of such production expenses or costs, provided (A) on and after January 1, 2009, fifty per cent of such expenses or costs shall be counted toward such credit when incurred outside the state and used within the state, and one hundred per cent of such expenses or costs shall be counted toward such credit when incurred within the state and used within the state, and (B) on and after January 1, 2012, no expenses or costs incurred outside the state and used within the state shall be eligible for

- (2) On and after July 1, 2006, and for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, any credit allowed pursuant to this subsection may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers, provided no credit, after issuance, may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, more than three times.
- (3) On and after July 1, 2006, and for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, any such credit allowed under this subsection shall be claimed against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter for the income year in which the production expenses or costs were incurred, and may be carried forward for the three immediately succeeding income years. Any production tax credit allowed under this subsection shall be nonrefundable.
- (c) (1) An eligible production company shall apply to the [commission] department for a tax credit voucher on an annual basis, but not later than ninety days after the first production expenses or costs are incurred in the production of a qualified production, and shall provide with such application such information as the [commission] department may require to determine such company's eligibility to claim a credit under this section. No production expenses or costs may be listed more than once for purposes of the tax credit voucher pursuant to this section, or pursuant to section 12-217kk or 12-217ll, and if a production expense or cost has been included in a claim for a credit, such production expense or cost may not be included in any subsequent claim for a credit.
- (2) Not earlier than three months after the application in subdivision (1) of this subsection, an eligible production company may apply to the [commission] <u>department</u> for a production tax credit voucher, and shall provide with such application such information and independent

certification as the [commission] <u>department</u> may require pertaining to the amount of such company's production expenses or costs to date. If the [commission] <u>department</u> determines that such company is eligible to be issued a production tax credit voucher, the [commission] <u>department</u> shall enter on the voucher the amount of production expenses or costs that has been established to the satisfaction of the [commission] <u>department</u>, and the amount of such company's credit under this section. The [commission] <u>department</u> shall provide a copy of such voucher to the commissioner, upon request.

(3) Not later than ninety days after the end of the annual period, or after the last production expenses or costs are incurred in the production of a qualified production, an eligible production company shall apply to the [commission] department for a production tax credit voucher, and shall provide with such application such information and independent certification as the [commission] department may require pertaining to the amount of such company's production expenses or costs. If the [commission] department determines that such company is eligible to be issued a production tax credit voucher, the [commission] department shall enter on the voucher the amount of production expenses or costs that has been established to the satisfaction of the [commission] department, minus the amount of any credit issued pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, and the amount of such company's credit under this section. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of such voucher to the commissioner, upon request.

(d) If an eligible production company sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to another taxpayer, the transferor and transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the [commission] <u>department</u> not later than thirty days after such transfer. If such transferee sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to a subsequent transferee, such transferee and such subsequent transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the [commission] <u>department</u> not later than thirty days after

such transfer. The notification after each transfer shall include the credit voucher number, the date of transfer, the amount of such credit transferred, the tax credit balance before and after the transfer, the tax identification numbers for both the transferor and the transferee, and any other information required by the [commission] department. Failure to comply with this subsection will result in a disallowance of the tax credit until there is full compliance on the part of the transferor and the transferee, and for a second or third transfer, on the part of all subsequent transferors and transferees. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of the notification of assignment to the commissioner upon request.

- (e) Any eligible production company that wilfully submits information to the [commission] <u>department</u> that it knows to be fraudulent or false shall, in addition to any other penalties provided by law, be liable for a penalty equal to the amount of such company's credit entered on the production tax credit certificate issued under this section.
- (f) The issuance by the [commission] department of a tax credit voucher with respect to an amount of tax credits stated thereon shall mean that none of such tax credits are subject to a post-certification remedy, and that the [commission] department and the commissioner shall have no right, except in the case of possible material misrepresentation or fraud, to conduct any further or additional review, examination or audit of the expenditures or costs for which such tax credits were issued. If at any time after the issuance of a tax credit voucher the [commission] department or the commissioner determines that there was a material misrepresentation or fraud on the part of an eligible production company in connection with the submission of an expense report and the result of such material misrepresentation or fraud was that (1) a specific amount of tax credits was reflected on the tax credit voucher issued in response to such expense report that would not have otherwise been so reflected, and (2) such tax credits would otherwise be subject to a post-certification

- remedy, such tax credits shall not be subject to any post-certification remedy and the sole and exclusive remedy of the [commission] department and the commissioner shall be to seek collection of the amount of such tax credits from the eligible production company that committed the fraud or misrepresentation, not from any transferee of such tax credits.
- 9636 (g) The [commission] <u>department</u>, in consultation with the commissioner, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, as may be necessary for the administration of this section.
- 9640 Sec. 195. Section 12-217kk of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9642 (a) As used in this section:
- 9643 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services.
- 9644 (2) ["Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture 9645 and Tourism] "Department" means the Department of Economic and 9646 Community Development.
- 9647 (3) "Infrastructure project" means a capital project to provide basic 9648 buildings, facilities or installations needed for the functioning of the 9649 digital media and motion picture industry in this state.
 - (4) "State-certified project" means an infrastructure project undertaken in this state by an entity that (A) is in compliance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, (B) is authorized to conduct business in this state, (C) is not in default on a loan made by the state or a loan guaranteed by the state, nor has ever declared bankruptcy under which an obligation of the entity to pay or repay public funds was discharged as a part of such bankruptcy, and (D) has been approved by the commission as qualifying for an infrastructure tax credit under this section.

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- (5) "Post-certification remedy" means the recapture, disallowance, recovery, reduction, repayment, forfeiture, decertification or any other remedy that would have the effect of reducing or otherwise limiting the use of a tax credit provided by this section.
- (b) (1) There shall be allowed a state-certified project credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter to any taxpayer that invests in a state-certified project. Such credit may be in the following amounts: (A) For state-certified projects costing greater than fifteen thousand dollars and less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars, each taxpayer may be allowed a tax credit of ten per cent of the investment made by such taxpayer; (B) for state-certified projects costing one hundred fifty thousand dollars or more, but less than one million dollars, each taxpayer may be allowed a tax credit of fifteen per cent of the investment made by such taxpayer; and (C) for state-certified projects costing one million dollars or more, each taxpayer may be allowed a tax credit of twenty per cent of the investment made by such taxpayer.
- (2) Eligible expenditures pursuant to this section shall include the following: All expenditures for a capital project to provide buildings, facilities or installations, whether leased or purchased, together with necessary equipment for a film, video, television, digital production facility or digital animation production facility; project development, including design, professional consulting fees and transaction costs; development, preproduction, production, post-production and distribution equipment and system access; and fixtures and other equipment.
- (3) Any credit allowed pursuant to this section may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers, and such taxpayers may sell, assign or otherwise transfer, in whole or in part, such credit. Any taxpayer holding such credit may claim such credit only for the income year in which expenditures were made by the taxpayer for the infrastructure project.

- (4) Any credit allowed pursuant to this section shall be claimed against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter. If the amount of the credit allowable under this section exceeds the sum of any taxes due from a taxpayer, any such excess amount of the credit allowable under this section may be taken in any of the three immediately succeeding income years.
- 9697 (5) Any tax credit earned under this section shall be nonrefundable.
 - (c) (1) An entity undertaking an infrastructure project shall apply to the [commission] <u>department</u> for an eligibility certificate not later than ninety days after the first expenses or costs are incurred, and shall provide with such application such information as the [commission] <u>department</u> may require to determine such infrastructure project's eligibility as a state-certified project.
 - (2) Each application for an eligibility certificate shall include: (A) A detailed description of the infrastructure project; (B) a preliminary budget; (C) estimated completion date; and (D) such other information as the commission may require. The [commission] department may require an independent audit of all project costs and expenditures prior to certification. If the [commission] department determines that such project is eligible to be a state-certified project, the [commission] department shall indicate the amount of costs or expenditures that has been established to the satisfaction of the [commission] department, and issue to such entity a tax credit certification letter for investors indicating the amount of tax credits available under this section. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of such letter to the commissioner, upon request.
 - (3) Prior to the issuance of a state-certified project tax credit voucher to a taxpayer based upon the tax credit certification letter issued pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subdivision, the entity undertaking such infrastructure project shall provide the [commission] department with a description of the progress on such project and an estimated completion date. The [commission] department may require an

independent audit of all project costs and expenditures prior to issuance of such tax credit voucher to a taxpayer. No such tax credit voucher may be issued prior to such time as such state-certified project is shown to be not less than sixty per cent complete.

- (d) If a taxpayer sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to another taxpayer, the transferor and transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the [commission] department not later than thirty days after such transfer. The notification shall include the credit certificate number, the date of transfer, the amount of such credit transferred, the tax credit balance before and after the transfer, the tax identification numbers for both the transferor and the transferee and any other information required by the commissioner. After the initial issuance of a tax credit, such credit may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred not more than three times. Failure to comply with this subsection will result in a disallowance of the tax credit until there is full compliance on both the part of the transferor and the transferee, and all subsequent transferors and transferees. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of the notification of assignment to the commissioner upon request.
- (e) The issuance by the [commission] <u>department</u> of a tax credit voucher with respect to an amount of tax credits stated thereon shall mean that none of such tax credits are subject to a post-certification remedy, and that the [commission] <u>department</u> and the commissioner shall have no right except in the case of a possible material misrepresentation or fraud, to conduct any further or additional review, examination or audit of the expenditures or costs for which such tax credits were issued. If at any time after the issuance of a tax credit voucher the [commission] <u>department</u> or the commissioner determines that there was a material misrepresentation or fraud on the part of a taxpayer in connection with the submission of an expense report and the result of such material misrepresentation or fraud was that (1) a specific amount of tax credits was reflected on the tax credit voucher issued in response to such expense report that would not have

- (f) The [commission] <u>department</u>, in consultation with the commissioner, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, as may be necessary for the administration of this section.
- 9767 Sec. 196. Section 12-217*ll* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 9769 (a) As used in this section:

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- 9770 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services.
- 9771 (2) ["Commission" means the Connecticut Commission on Culture 9772 and Tourism] "Department" means the Department of Economic and 9773 Community Development.
 - (3) "Digital animation production company" means a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other business entity engaged exclusively in digital animation production activity on an ongoing basis, and that is qualified by the Secretary of the State to engage in business in the state.
 - (4) "State-certified digital animation production company" means a digital animation production company that (A) maintains studio facilities located within the state at which digital animation production activities are conducted, (B) employs at least two hundred full-time employees within the state, (C) is in compliance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (h) of this section, and (D) has been certified by the commission.

- (5) "Digital animation production activity" means the creation, development and production of computer-generated animation content for distribution or exhibition to the general public, but not for the production of any material for which records are required to be maintained under 18 USC 2257 with respect to sexually explicit content.
- 9792 (6) "Full-time employee" means an employee required to work at 9793 least thirty-five hours or more per week, and who is not a temporary 9794 or seasonal employee.
 - (7) "Post-certification remedy" means the recapture, disallowance, recovery, reduction, repayment, forfeiture, decertification or any other remedy that would have the effect of reducing or otherwise limiting the use of a tax credit provided by this section.
 - (8) "Production expenses or costs" means all expenditures clearly and demonstrably incurred in the state in the development, preproduction, production or postproduction costs of a digital animation production activity, including:
 - (A) Expenditures for optioning or purchase of any intellectual property including, but not limited to, books, scripts, music or trademarks relating to the development or purchase of a script, screenplay or format, to the extent that such expenditures are less than thirty-five per cent of the production expenses or costs incurred by a digital animation production company in any income year. Such expenses or costs shall include all expenditures generally associated with the optioning or purchase of intellectual property, including option money, agent fees and attorney fees relating to the transaction, but shall not include any and all deferrals, deferments, profit participation or recourse or nonrecourse loans which the digital animation production company may negotiate in order to obtain the rights to the intellectual property;
 - (B) Expenditures incurred in the form of either compensation or

purchases including production work, production equipment not eligible for the infrastructure tax credit provided in section 12-217kk, production software, postproduction work, postproduction equipment, postproduction software, set design, set construction, props, lighting, wardrobe, makeup, makeup accessories, special effects, visual effects, audio effects, actors, voice talent, film processing, music, sound mixing, editing, location fees, soundstages, rent, utilities, insurance, administrative support, systems support, all reasonablyrelated expenses in connection with digital animation production activity, and any and all other costs or services directly incurred in the state in connection with a state-certified digital animation production company;

(C) Expenditures for distribution, including preproduction, production or postproduction costs relating to the creation of trailers, marketing videos, short films, commercials, point-of-purchase videos and any and all content created on film or digital media, including the duplication of films, videos, CDs, DVDs and any and all digital files now in existence and those yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; the purchase, by a company in the state, of any and all equipment relating to the duplication or mass market distribution of any content created or produced in the state by any digital media format which is now in use and those formats yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; and

(D) "Production expenses or costs" does not include the following: (i) Compensation in excess of fifteen million dollars paid to any individual or entity representing an individual, for services provided in a digital animation production activity; (ii) media buys, promotional events or gifts or public relations associated with the promotion or marketing of any digital animation production activity; (iii) deferred, leveraged or profit participation costs relating to any and all personnel associated with any and all aspects of the production, including, but not limited to, producer fees, director fees, talent fees and writer fees; (iv) costs relating to the transfer of the digital animation tax credits;

- 9850 and (v) any amounts paid to persons or businesses as a result of their 9851 participation in profits from the exploitation of the digital animation 9852 production activity.
- 9853 (b) (1) The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] 9854 Department of Economic and Community Development shall administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources, 9855 9856 requirements and purposes of this section for digital animation 9857 production companies undertaking digital animation production 9858 activity in the state. For income years commencing on or after January 9859 1, 2007, any state-certified digital animation production company 9860 incurring production expenses or costs in excess of fifty thousand 9861 dollars shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under 9862 chapter 207 or this chapter, equal to thirty per cent of such production 9863 expenses or costs.
 - (2) Any credit allowed pursuant to this section may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers, provided no credit, after issuance, may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, more than three times.
 - (3) Any credit allowed pursuant to this section shall be claimed against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter, for the income year in which the production expenses or costs were incurred, and may be carried forward for the three immediately succeeding income years. Any digital animation tax credit allowed under this section shall be nonrefundable.
 - (4) Any digital animation production company receiving a digital animation tax credit pursuant to this section shall not be eligible to apply for or receive a tax credit pursuant to section 12-217jj.
 - (c) Not more frequently than twice during the income year of a state-certified digital animation production company, such company may apply to the [commission] department for a digital animation tax credit voucher, and shall provide with such application such

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information and independent certification as the [commission] department may require pertaining to the amount of such company's production expenses or costs incurred during the period for which such application is made. If the [commission] department determines that the company is eligible to be issued a tax credit voucher, the [commission] department shall enter on the voucher the amount of production expenses and costs incurred during the period for which the voucher is issued and the amount of tax credits issued pursuant to such voucher. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of such voucher to the commissioner upon request.

(d) If a state-certified digital animation production company sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to another taxpayer, the transferor and transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the [commission] department not later than thirty days after such transfer. If such transferee sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to a subsequent transferee, such transferee and such subsequent transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the [commission] department not later than thirty days after such transfer. The notification after each transfer shall include the credit voucher number, the date of transfer, the amount of such credit transferred, the tax credit balance before and after the transfer, the tax identification numbers for both the transferor and the transferee, and any other information required by the [commission] department. Failure to comply with this subsection will result in a disallowance of the tax credit until there is full compliance on the part of the transferor and the transferee, and for a second or third transfer, on the part of all subsequent transferors and transferees. The [commission] department shall provide a copy of the notification of assignment to the commissioner upon request.

(e) Any state-certified digital animation production company that wilfully submits information to the commission that it knows to be fraudulent or false shall, in addition to any other penalties provided by

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law, be liable for a penalty equal to the amount of such company's credit entered on the digital animation tax credit certificate issued under this section.

- (f) The issuance by the [commission] department of a digital animation tax credit voucher with respect to an amount of tax credits stated thereon shall mean that none of such tax credits are subject to a post-certification remedy, and that the [commission] department and the commissioner shall have no right, except in the case of possible material misrepresentation or fraud, to conduct any further or additional review, examination or audit of the expenditures or costs for which such tax credits were issued. If at any time after the issuance of a tax credit voucher the [commission] department or the commissioner determines that there was a material misrepresentation or fraud on the part of a state-certified digital animation production company in connection with the submission of an expense report and the result of such material misrepresentation or fraud was that (1) a specific amount of tax credits was reflected on the tax credit voucher issued in response to such expense report that would not have otherwise been so reflected, and (2) such tax credits would otherwise be subject to a post-certification remedy, such tax credits shall not be subject to any post-certification remedy and the sole and exclusive remedy of the [commission] department and the commissioner shall be to seek collection of the amount of such tax credits from the digital animation production company that committed the fraud or misrepresentation, not from any transferee of the tax credits.
- (g) The aggregate amount of all tax credits which may be reserved by the commission pursuant to this section shall not exceed fifteen million dollars in any one fiscal year.
- (h) The [commission] <u>department</u>, in consultation with the commissioner, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, as may be necessary for the administration of this section.

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Sec. 197. Section 12-376d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) There shall be allowed a credit against any tax due under this chapter with respect to the estate of any decedent who produced a work of art, as defined in this section, which the beneficiaries and the fiduciary of such decedent's estate agree to transfer to the state of Connecticut if the state accepts such work, for use as an object of visual, artistic and educational display, in exchange for a credit against the succession tax applicable to the net taxable estate of such decedent. Such tax credit shall be in an amount equivalent to the fair market value of such work of art, as determined in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, provided (1) the advisory panel established under subsection (b) of this section, for purposes of certain determinations related to any such tax credit, certifies that, in the opinion of a majority of its members, such work of art should be appraised in accordance with subsection (c) of this section and subsequently certifies that, in the opinion of a majority of its members, such work of art should be accepted by the state in exchange for such tax credit as provided in this section, and (2) the maximum total amount of all such tax credits which may be allowed in any single fiscal year, commencing July 1, 1987 and thereafter, whether there is one such credit in such year or more than one, shall be two hundred thousand dollars. If the fair market value of any such work of art so accepted by the state is less than the total amount of tax due with respect to the estate, tax credit shall be allowed in reduction of the amount of the total tax due. If such fair market value is in excess of the total tax due, and the fiduciary and beneficiaries of the estate approve the transfer of such work of art to the state for purposes of such tax credit, such fair market value shall be applied in payment of the entire amount of tax due and the excess of such fair market value over the amount of tax due shall, in effect, be a gift to the state. For purposes of this section a "work of art" means any work of visual art, including but not limited to, a drawing, painting, sculpture, mosaic, photograph, work of calligraphy or work of graphic art, and as the term "work of art" is used in this section it may include

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9980 a single work of any such art or more than one item of such work.

(b) There shall be appointed, as part of the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development, an advisory panel to consider the proposed acceptance of any such work of art. The advisory panel shall prepare a written statement as to acceptance or rejection of any such work of art for the purposes of this section. In each instance said panel shall consist of eleven members, including the [executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and two acknowledged experts as to the particular type of visual art work under consideration, as determined by said [executive director] commissioner, with such appointments to be made by said [executive director and approved by the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism commissioner. In addition said advisory panel shall include eight members of the General Assembly, with two of such members appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of such members appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of such members appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, two of such members appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of such members appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives and one of such members appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

(c) The advisory panel appointed as provided in subsection (b) of this section shall contract with two professional appraisers possessing experience related to the type of appraisal necessary for purposes of the work of art proposed for acceptance. Each appraiser so employed shall conduct an independent appraisal of such work of art and submit findings as to the fair market value thereof to the advisory panel. Members of the advisory panel shall receive no compensation for their service as such but shall be reimbursed for their necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

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- (d) If the advisory panel approves the acceptance of a work of art for purposes of such tax credit, the [executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] commissioner shall submit notification in writing of such approval to the Commissioner of Revenue Services, including all relevant documentation concerning such approval and the amount of tax credit to be allowed. The [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development is authorized by this section to accept such work of art on behalf of the state and make whatever arrangements may be necessary with other agencies of the state for the care and display of such work of art.
- Sec. 198. Section 13a-252 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The ferries crossing the Connecticut River, known as the Rocky Hill ferry and the Chester and Hadlyme ferry, shall be maintained and operated by the Commissioner of Transportation at the expense of the state. The rates of toll or the charges to be made for travel upon said ferries shall be fixed by the commissioner with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. The commissioner may establish a discounted commuter rate for travel upon said ferries.
 - (b) All expense of maintenance, repairs and operation of said ferries shall be paid by the Comptroller on vouchers of the commissioner. The commissioner shall include in his report to the General Assembly a report of the receipts and expenditures incidental to the control and maintenance of said ferries. Said Rocky Hill ferry shall be maintained as a state historic structure and shall be so marked with an appropriate plaque by the commissioner in cooperation with the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development.
- Sec. 199. Section 19a-315b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

No grave marker within any cemetery or burial place shall be destroyed, injured or removed except in accordance with the provisions of either this section or section 19a-315c. Any such grave marker may be removed for the purpose of reproduction, preservation or display in an accredited museum upon (1) (A) the consent of the owner of the burial rights for the lot in which such grave marker is placed or the consent of a lineal descendant of the deceased, whose qualifications for giving such consent shall be determined by the burial ground authority, or (B) if such owner or qualified lineal descendant is unknown or does not respond within thirty days to a request for consent sent by registered or certified mail to such person's last known address, with the consent of the burial ground authority, and (2) the order of the probate court for the district in which such burial lot is located. Upon written application of such consenting owner, qualified lineal descendant or burial ground authority, the probate court may, after a hearing, with notice of such hearing having been given to the burial ground authority, the owner, the qualified lineal descendant, the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development and otherwise as the court deems appropriate, order the removal of such grave marker if it finds that such removal is necessary or desirable for the protection and preservation of such grave marker.

Sec. 200. Section 19a-315c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 19a-315b, a burial ground authority shall have the right to properly maintain an ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place, which right shall include: (1) Repair, rehabilitation, repositioning or resetting of grave markers in accordance with the rules and regulations of the burial ground authority; and (2) the renovation of the ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place as a whole.
- (b) For purposes of subsection (a), no renovation of an ancient burial

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place, cemetery or burial place as a whole may be commenced until after: (1) The burial ground authority has conspicuously posted within the ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place, for a period of not less than ninety days, a notice that such renovation shall take place; and (2) the burial ground authority, at least ninety days before commencing a renovation, has provided written notice to the probate court having jurisdiction over the location of the burial place and to the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development. Such notice to the probate court shall describe the renovation plans and include photographs of any area or grave marker involved.

(c) Following the notice period provided for in subsection (b) of this section, and subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section, a burial ground authority may renovate an ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place by: (1) The removal of any or all fencing, railing or curbing, if such removal is determined by the burial ground authority to be necessary or desirable for the proper and efficient maintenance of the ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place as a whole; and (2) the repositioning or resetting of any monument or tombstone.

(d) At any time prior to the expiration of the notice period provided for in subsection (b) of this section, the probate court may assume jurisdiction over such renovation and order a hearing, with notice of such hearing to be given to the burial ground authority, the owner, the qualified lineal descendant, the [Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] Department of Economic and Community Development and otherwise as the court deems appropriate, to determine whether such renovation is necessary for the proper and efficient maintenance of the ancient burial place, cemetery or burial place as a whole. Upon notice of such hearing, the burial ground authority shall not proceed with such renovation except in accordance with the order of the probate court.

- 10109 (a) Environmental impact evaluations and a summary thereof, 10110 including any negative findings shall be submitted for comment and 10111 review to the Council on Environmental Quality, the Department of 10112 Environmental Protection, [the Connecticut Commission on Culture 10113 and Tourism,] the Office of Policy and Management, the Department 10114 of Economic and Community Development in the case of a proposed 10115 action that affects existing housing, and other appropriate agencies, 10116 and to the town clerk of each municipality affected thereby, and shall 10117 be made available to the public for inspection and comment at the 10118 same time. The sponsoring agency shall publish forthwith a notice of 10119 the availability of its environmental impact evaluation and summary 10120 in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality at least once a 10121 week for three consecutive weeks and in the Environmental Monitor. 10122 The sponsoring agency preparing an environmental impact evaluation 10123 shall hold a public hearing on the evaluation if twenty-five persons or 10124 an association having not less than twenty-five persons requests such a 10125 hearing within ten days of the publication of the notice in the 10126 Environmental Monitor.
- 10127 (b) All comments received by the sponsoring agency and the sponsoring agency's responses to such comments shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.
- 10130 (c) All comments and responses so forwarded to the Secretary of the 10131 Office of Policy and Management shall be available for public 10132 inspection.
- Sec. 202. Section 22a-19b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- The provisions of section 22a-19a shall not apply to any property or structure, or any portion thereof, that was first listed on the state register of historic places during the month of March, 2001, if (1) the

10138 owner of such property or structure delivers or has delivered to the 10139 [director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] 10140 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and to the 10141 State Historic Preservation Officer a written and notarized objection to 10142 the listing of such property or structure on the National Register of 10143 Historic Places that certifies the person's ownership of such property 10144 or structure, and (2) such objection has not been withdrawn or 10145 rescinded by the owner's written and notarized notice of withdrawal 10146 or rescission of objection.

10147 Sec. 203. Section 22a-27s of the general statutes is repealed and the 10148 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(a) There is established the Face of Connecticut Steering Committee, which shall be within the Department of Environmental Protection for administrative purposes only. Such committee shall direct the expenditure of any funds deposited in the Face of Connecticut account created under section 22a-27t. The committee shall consist of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee, the Commissioner of Agriculture, [the executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism,] the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and ten members as follows: (1) A representative of a local organization involved in historic preservation, appointed by the speaker of the House Representatives; (2) a representative of a nonprofit organization involved in farmland preservation, appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (3) a representative of a local or regional nonprofit organization involved in the preservation of open space, appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (4) a representative of a water company actively involved in land preservation, appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (5) a representative of the agricultural industry, appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (6) a representative of a statewide nonprofit involved in the preservation of open space, appointed

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by the minority leader of the Senate; (7) a representative of a state-wide 10172 nonprofit organization involved in historic preservation, appointed by the Governor; (8) a representative of an organization involved with 10174 community redevelopment, appointed by the Governor; (9) a representative of the legislative Brownfields Task Force, appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; and (10) a representative 10177 of the environmental law section of the Connecticut Bar Association 10178 who is involved with brownfields remediation, appointed by the 10179 president pro tempore of the Senate.

- (b) All initial appointments to the committee shall be made not later than September 1, 2008. The term of each appointed member of the steering committee shall be coterminous with the term of the appointing authority or until a successor is chosen, whichever is later. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall serve as the chairperson of the committee for the two years following the appointment of the committee, followed first by the Commissioner of Agriculture for two years and subsequently by the [executive director of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism for two years and subsequently by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or said commissioner's designee for two years. Such rotation shall repeat every two years thereafter in the order specified in this subsection, except that if there is a vacancy in one of said positions, one of the other commissioners or the executive director may serve as chairperson until the vacancy is filled.
 - (c) The committee shall meet quarterly.
- 10196 Sec. 204. Section 25-102qq of the general statutes is repealed and the 10197 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall be responsible for state-wide river policy and comprehensive protection of rivers. The commissioner shall: (1) Identify rivers or river segments to be protected, (2) designate protected river corridors, and (3) approve, reject or modify river corridor maps and management plans

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- (b) The commissioner may establish a river management and protection program designed to improve the management and protection of the state's rivers.
- 10207 (c) If the commissioner undertakes to establish such a program, he 10208 shall establish a River Protection Advisory Committee to assist him in 10209 developing the river protection program. The committee shall consist 10210 of the following members whose terms shall expire on October 1, 1992: 10211 (1) The Commissioners of Public Health, Transportation, Economic 10212 and Community Development and Agriculture, the Secretary of the 10213 Office of Policy and Management, [the director of the Connecticut 10214 Commission on Culture and Tourism, and the State Archaeologist, or 10215 their designees; and (2) two members representing the business 10216 community, two members representing public service companies, 10217 environmental members representing and recreational 10218 four members organizations, representing river protection 10219 organizations, one member representing municipalities with a river or 10220 river segment within their borders, two members representing regional planning agencies, three members representing related 10221 10222 professional practices and one member representing the public, which 10223 members shall be appointed by the commissioner. On and after 10224 October 1, 1992, the committee's membership shall consist of: (1) The 10225 Commissioners of Public Health, Transportation, Economic and 10226 Community Development and Agriculture, the Secretary of the Office 10227 of Policy and Management, [the director of the Connecticut 10228 Commission on Culture and Tourism,] and the State Archaeologist, or 10229 their designees; and (2) one member representing the business 10230 community, and one member representing a related professional 10231 practice appointed by the Governor; one member representing an 10232 environmental or recreational organization, one member representing 10233 a river protection organization and one member representing a related 10234 professional practice appointed by the president pro tempore of the 10235 Senate; one member representing an environmental or recreational

organization, one member representing a river protection organization and one member representing a related professional practice appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; one member representing an environmental or recreational organization, one member representing a municipality with a river or river segment within its borders and one member representing the business community appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; two members representing an environmental or recreational organization, one member representing a river protection organization and one member representing a public service company appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; one member representing environmental or recreational organization, one member representing a public service company and one member representing a regional planning agency appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; one member representing an environmental or recreational organization, one member representing a river protection organization, one member of the public and one member representing a regional planning agency appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

(d) In developing the river protection program, the commissioner, with the assistance of the River Protection Advisory Committee, may: (1) Develop a proposal for a state-wide river management and protection program, which shall include but not be limited to: (A) The coordination of existing protective state authorities as a means of improving river management and protection; (B) the development of any statutory modifications to provide effective regional and interstate cooperation for the development of river management plans; (C) the development of recommendations for river protection for use in regulations of local land use agencies; and (D) the development of any other needed protection or management of the state's rivers, as determined by the commissioner; (2) define the river resources to be inventoried and assessed; (3) conduct a state-wide inventory and assessment of the state's rivers; (4) develop a state-wide data base of river resource information to facilitate environmental planning,

10270 and management decisions; develop (5) a river 10271 classification system; (6) develop criteria for identifying rivers or river 10272 segments for designation as protected rivers and recommended 10273 priorities for the management of the rivers or river segments; and (7) 10274 develop a program to educate the public on river protection issues and 10275 ensure public involvement in the development and implementation of 10276 the river protection program.

Sec. 205. Section 25-109q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- (a) There is hereby established the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers National Heritage Corridor Advisory Council. Said council shall prepare the Cultural Heritage and Corridor Management Plan described in Section 105 of the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994. The council shall provide for public participation in the preparation of such plan and shall hold at least one public hearing in Windham, Tolland and New London counties to facilitate such participation provided notice of each hearing is published in a newspaper having a general circulation within the relevant county at least thirty days prior to the hearing to be held in such county. The council shall submit such plan to the Governor on or before January 1, 1996.
- (b) The council shall consist of: A representative of the office of the Governor; the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, or his designee; the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or his designee; [the chairperson of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, or his designee;] the chairperson of the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments, or his designee; the chairperson of the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments, or his designee; and the chairperson of the Windham Regional Planning Agency, or his designee. The council shall further consist of the following members appointed by the Governor: Three chief elected officials from towns listed in section 104 of said act; two

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persons from any such town who represent economic development or business interests; two persons from any such town who represent tourism districts within the corridor; two persons from any such town who represent land conservation or outdoor recreation interests; two persons from any such town who represent historic preservation or cultural history interests; and one person engaged in agriculture in any such town. Vacancies on the advisory council shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

Sec. 206. Section 29-259 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

- (a) The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee shall revise the State Building Code to allow exemptions from the State Building Code for property acquired by an urban homesteading agency, pursuant to section 8-169r, and transferred to a qualified applicant pursuant to section 8-169s, and for historic structures, as defined in section 10-410, which have been classified as such in the state register of historic places, to encourage participation in urban homesteading programs and the restoration and preservation of historic places; provided such exemptions shall not affect the safe design, use or construction of such property.
- 10322 (b) Any person, agent of the state, municipality or any other 10323 political subdivision of the state may apply to the State Building 10324 Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee to modify or set 10325 aside standards for historic buildings incorporated in the State 10326 Building Code. The State Building Inspector shall, within seven days of 10327 receipt of any such application, forward a copy of such application to 10328 the director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with 10329 Disabilities and to the [director of the Connecticut Commission on 10330 Culture and Tourism Commissioner of Economic and Community 10331 Development. Each of said directors shall, within thirty days of receipt, 10332 review such application and make such written recommendations as 10333 he deems appropriate to the State Building Inspector and the Codes

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and Standards Committee concerning the disposition of such application. The recommendations of such directors shall be part of the records and documents of the State Building Inspector concerning such application. The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee shall consider such written recommendations when acting upon such application and may set aside or modify an individual standard or specification when they jointly determine that it would not be feasible or would unreasonably complicate the construction, alteration or repair in question and where alternative methods and materials have been proposed to maintain certain features. Such determination shall be in writing, shall state the reasons therefor and if it sets aside any such standard of specification, a copy of such determination shall be sent to each of said directors.

- (c) Regulations or codes made or amended by authority of this section shall, after a public hearing called for that purpose by the State Building Inspector not less than thirty days before the date of such hearing, be filed by the State Building Inspector with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 and he shall thereafter make copies available to persons having an interest therein.
- (d) If any regulation made or amended by authority of this section is set aside by a court, such ruling shall affect only the regulation, standard or specification included in the ruling and all other regulations, standards or specifications shall remain in effect.
- Sec. 207. Section 32-6a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
 - (a) For the purposes of encouraging quality tourism and contributing to an overall historic preservation program there is established a Committee for the Restoration of Historic Assets in Connecticut which shall consist of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the chairman of the Governor's Vacation Council, [the chairman of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism] and two public members appointed by the Governor on or

before December 1, 1977, for a term to expire on February 1, 1979. Thereafter terms of members appointed to succeed those whose terms expire shall be for two years and until successors are appointed. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may provide grants or loans as approved by the committee for projects of historic preservation and restoration from the Restoration of Historic Assets in Connecticut Fund established with the proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 2 of special act 77-47. For the purposes of this section, "historical asset" means any building, structure, object or site that is significant in American history, architecture, archaeology or culture or property used in connection therewith. Such grants and loans may be used, in part, for the installation or restoration of supportive improvements. Supportive improvements may include, but shall not be limited to, parking lots, office space, sanitary facilities, utilities necessary to make a building functional, information booths, provisions for the handicapped, improvements necessary to bring such asset into conformance with local ordinances, or any other improvements necessary to return the property to a state of utility provided that any such supportive improvement shall not alter, destroy or detract from the distinctive historical, aesthetic, archaeological, architectural, cultural or stylistic qualities or characteristics of the historic asset or its environment. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development with the advice and consent of the committee shall promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may provide grants to develop greenways from the Restoration of Historic Assets in Connecticut Fund established with the proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 2 of special act 77-47. Grants may be made to municipalities and other organizations to develop greenways, including, but not limited to, transportation-related greenways supported by the federal Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, as amended from time

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to time. The amount of any grant shall be as follows: (1) For 10400 10401 transportation greenways projects that are part of interstate 10402 greenways, not more than twenty per cent of the project cost; (2) for 10403 transportation greenways projects that are local spurs from interstate greenways or that are intertown greenways projects, not more than ten 10404 per cent of the project cost; and (3) for greenways that are not 10405 10406 transportation greenways, not more than half of the capital costs of the 10407 project.

10408 Sec. 208. Sections 10-393, 10-396, 32-1c, 32-11a, 32-35 and 32-39 of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2009*)

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